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| **December product updates** |
| Click on any link below to be taken to an NWEA® Connection news article that provides information on product updates occurring during the software release on Friday 12/15/23.  |

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| * [**Adding a growth and achievement quadrant to the School Profile report**](https://urldefense.com/v3/__https%3A/mkto-g0180.com/OTc2LUlZSS02OTQAAAGQByu_3dg15jvwH_5LYOq6-kkEkibV2J9aSIbm2m0_2gxTnIkr68p6-0-8xd3YAOqcl674pR0%3D__;!!IgVO_fivXNuCtWYCOg!JKzbLrrv7yIss993csEmwnUImrdhZIXqpe5CNXpwsmfsWPL5ogkzNqqtXDAVKpkdkbvQMUanBgnSzFGwMQ7Y5Nxv-yjxLw$)
* [**Removal of MAP skills roles (SN administrator & interventionist)**](https://urldefense.com/v3/__https%3A/mkto-g0180.com/OTc2LUlZSS02OTQAAAGQByu_3RkfKfzYvO6jBjHns3z3iGvC_snGWdrs9wo0uvcpCzd2gMABZLnXXWBF7mh_QMKRQr8%3D__;!!IgVO_fivXNuCtWYCOg!JKzbLrrv7yIss993csEmwnUImrdhZIXqpe5CNXpwsmfsWPL5ogkzNqqtXDAVKpkdkbvQMUanBgnSzFGwMQ7Y5NycTYOQIg$)
* [**Removal of 2015 norms from CDF reports**](https://urldefense.com/v3/__https%3A/mkto-g0180.com/OTc2LUlZSS02OTQAAAGQByu_3VSYT5Y6lD5ltLMpX5eJWfyROsKZIcwQKSsgqMfeby-ArF-A30frvFgqIsbPzJlgFko%3D__;!!IgVO_fivXNuCtWYCOg!JKzbLrrv7yIss993csEmwnUImrdhZIXqpe5CNXpwsmfsWPL5ogkzNqqtXDAVKpkdkbvQMUanBgnSzFGwMQ7Y5NyKIqzoCQ$)
* [**MAP System: Email address required for faculty profiles**](https://urldefense.com/v3/__https%3A/mkto-g0180.com/OTc2LUlZSS02OTQAAAGQByu_3dYywwrlnsoDa9TDwA25fxYGOX-I-Wq-sPuBgIlM5JA35VpXhA4uIe36-MKTvmpO5OE%3D__;!!IgVO_fivXNuCtWYCOg!JKzbLrrv7yIss993csEmwnUImrdhZIXqpe5CNXpwsmfsWPL5ogkzNqqtXDAVKpkdkbvQMUanBgnSzFGwMQ7Y5NygJUp4NQ$)

MAP System maintenance for December 2023 * Begins: Friday 12/15/23 @ 5:00 p.m. PST / 8 p.m. EST
* Ends: Saturday 12/16/23 @ 10:00 a.m. PST / 1 p.m. EST
* [**System maintenance homepage**](https://urldefense.com/v3/__https%3A/mkto-g0180.com/OTc2LUlZSS02OTQAAAGQByu_3fhO0Elv88mlk3C0nCEdyA5ZRRzaOuT8UC_dmG27xrC5V-14qjuWPg_EZaMeMtK3028%3D__;!!IgVO_fivXNuCtWYCOg!JKzbLrrv7yIss993csEmwnUImrdhZIXqpe5CNXpwsmfsWPL5ogkzNqqtXDAVKpkdkbvQMUanBgnSzFGwMQ7Y5NwyqxFgtQ$)
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| **Utah linking study** MAP® Growth™ reports for partners in Utah will now reference the NWEA default linking study for projected proficiency data. The NWEA default linking study can be found [**here**](https://urldefense.com/v3/__https%3A/mkto-g0180.com/OTc2LUlZSS02OTQAAAGQByu_3RuTZKCDR80GQpOGy7tWfZLZXGzTIJbFSLH1iDJmaQyU0A2wg39eOzU0pC7fkpzoNzs%3D__;!!IgVO_fivXNuCtWYCOg!JKzbLrrv7yIss993csEmwnUImrdhZIXqpe5CNXpwsmfsWPL5ogkzNqqtXDAVKpkdkbvQMUanBgnSzFGwMQ7Y5NzvHS3Aww$).  |

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| **Reminder – November 2023 product updates**  |
| **Start page enhancements** Based on partner feedback received since the initial rollout of the start page earlier this year, all users will see an enhanced user experience as of the November 2023 software release. [**Learn more**](https://urldefense.com/v3/__https%3A/mkto-g0180.com/OTc2LUlZSS02OTQAAAGQByu_3YjzlDZOg2YRzIpEeif0LgvwLNfC2paB8C7CEIHKT4icdhjHa92nnIfosh8Y-klPmEY%3D__;!!IgVO_fivXNuCtWYCOg!JKzbLrrv7yIss993csEmwnUImrdhZIXqpe5CNXpwsmfsWPL5ogkzNqqtXDAVKpkdkbvQMUanBgnSzFGwMQ7Y5NySg1Cenw$) about the improved start page experience.  |

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| **UserVoice is now available for MAP Growth** NWEA values the ideas and feedback from our partners. UserVoice is an online tool that makes it easy for you to provide product-related feedback directly to us. [**Learn more**](https://urldefense.com/v3/__https%3A/mkto-g0180.com/OTc2LUlZSS02OTQAAAGQByu_3RY5oxuU31bbrucpHxRM_nEqKUOtdu2zYbqX7UWv_T7RzzCuzCUmonS9qUpsKrJ58qc%3D__;!!IgVO_fivXNuCtWYCOg!JKzbLrrv7yIss993csEmwnUImrdhZIXqpe5CNXpwsmfsWPL5ogkzNqqtXDAVKpkdkbvQMUanBgnSzFGwMQ7Y5NxtlV91sA$) about this tool, available for you to use now.  |

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| **New Mexico linking study** A new linking study is available for New Mexico. You can find the 28-page linking study [**here**](https://urldefense.com/v3/__https%3A/mkto-g0180.com/OTc2LUlZSS02OTQAAAGQByu_3Q7VLN8UHt1gy_fEvrZuTN8FywRXXET0DGymc19EiLKljnDPRv41Y2_CD8AHsMEmNnM%3D__;!!IgVO_fivXNuCtWYCOg!JKzbLrrv7yIss993csEmwnUImrdhZIXqpe5CNXpwsmfsWPL5ogkzNqqtXDAVKpkdkbvQMUanBgnSzFGwMQ7Y5Nz6qlSMTQ$).  |

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| **Preview – Back-to-school 2024**  |
| Click on the link below to be taken to an NWEA Connection news article that provides additional information: * [**Legacy report retirement – Helping partners transition to the interactive Profile reports**](https://urldefense.com/v3/__https%3A/mkto-g0180.com/OTc2LUlZSS02OTQAAAGQByu_3QVT7IFvJxG-RwaH_e1aaay99givhu4aHYyIwxY6DGCbUabjJAz5SHTRqlOMaaej_As%3D__;!!IgVO_fivXNuCtWYCOg!JKzbLrrv7yIss993csEmwnUImrdhZIXqpe5CNXpwsmfsWPL5ogkzNqqtXDAVKpkdkbvQMUanBgnSzFGwMQ7Y5Nwcs1waLw$)
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| **Important information** **Partnership spotlight**  |
| We created a new video (runtime 2:48) that makes it easy to learn how to connect MAP Growth data to your favorite instructional providers using the manage data partners feature. [**Watch the new video located in the “MAP Growth 101” playlist on the NWEA YouTube page**](https://urldefense.com/v3/__https%3A/mkto-g0180.com/OTc2LUlZSS02OTQAAAGQByu_3cKNw2y49RvwaBER9TX-ChgadDu5McQX_gltCLXEuKZg_u72pu4LlLR5_Oim1b0yE0g%3D__;!!IgVO_fivXNuCtWYCOg!JKzbLrrv7yIss993csEmwnUImrdhZIXqpe5CNXpwsmfsWPL5ogkzNqqtXDAVKpkdkbvQMUanBgnSzFGwMQ7Y5NwODZXWHA$).  |

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| **Resource spotlight** [**New video available: “What is the Learning Continuum” (48:07 runtime)**](https://urldefense.com/v3/__https%3A/mkto-g0180.com/OTc2LUlZSS02OTQAAAGQByu_3U9VbKThWCSLfzoTTxey2Yy7E7wp5hVUDLRWgrFwwK1QazBQRG_RwX4l4vsQgxKiQFU%3D__;!!IgVO_fivXNuCtWYCOg!JKzbLrrv7yIss993csEmwnUImrdhZIXqpe5CNXpwsmfsWPL5ogkzNqqtXDAVKpkdkbvQMUanBgnSzFGwMQ7Y5NxISbQj2w$) In July 2023, the Learning Continuum was updated to make it easier to use. With that change came a request from our partners to provide updated training materials on how to best use the Learning Continuum in the classroom. In response, we have created an in-depth video that explains what the Learning Continuum is and how to successfully incorporate it into data-informed decision-making. The [**video is posted on the NWEA YouTube channel**](https://urldefense.com/v3/__https%3A/mkto-g0180.com/OTc2LUlZSS02OTQAAAGQByu_3U9VbKThWCSLfzoTTxey2Yy7E7wp5hVUDLRWgrFwwK1QazBQRG_RwX4l4vsQgxKiQFU%3D__;!!IgVO_fivXNuCtWYCOg!JKzbLrrv7yIss993csEmwnUImrdhZIXqpe5CNXpwsmfsWPL5ogkzNqqtXDAVKpkdkbvQMUanBgnSzFGwMQ7Y5NxISbQj2w$) and has timestamped chapters to make it easy to jump to the section of the video you are most interested in. **Two new webinars available** 1. [**District and school leaders: How to use data to engage teachers in high-growth strategies (runtime 57:46)**](https://urldefense.com/v3/__https%3A/mkto-g0180.com/OTc2LUlZSS02OTQAAAGQByu_3Rr4NWUNHmSjGlhEWWEy0AfZ01jie6jqXHnvvjGcySk-E8zHgxAIez6DfAvrKHSVCXE%3D__;!!IgVO_fivXNuCtWYCOg!JKzbLrrv7yIss993csEmwnUImrdhZIXqpe5CNXpwsmfsWPL5ogkzNqqtXDAVKpkdkbvQMUanBgnSzFGwMQ7Y5NxlRNHsqQ$)Published 11/15/23. Three education leaders from a high-growth district share their strategies for encouraging data-driven instruction. They also offer tips for onboarding new teachers, building trust, and encouraging buy-in—the hallmarks of a strong growth culture. You can find more information about the topic of this webinar on the [**High Growth For All: Instructional Strategies**](https://urldefense.com/v3/__https%3A/mkto-g0180.com/OTc2LUlZSS02OTQAAAGQByu_3Vb0f8--e-SZbWzxivO6T8C_rZy5P8VNGhNIca-eQlk6wMiYp2KIB6tOkR9qlc_kLl8%3D__;!!IgVO_fivXNuCtWYCOg!JKzbLrrv7yIss993csEmwnUImrdhZIXqpe5CNXpwsmfsWPL5ogkzNqqtXDAVKpkdkbvQMUanBgnSzFGwMQ7Y5Nzn6WwGcQ$) page on NWEA.org.
2. [**Using MAP Growth for gifted and talented service placement decisions (runtime 19:08)**](https://urldefense.com/v3/__https%3A/mkto-g0180.com/OTc2LUlZSS02OTQAAAGQByu_3TP8MS5HexETi6Tfq1fAdEO_3LFKUdl_FWAP7E59VjsWKP7qmyFQzaTLmlszpMeJTKs%3D__;!!IgVO_fivXNuCtWYCOg!JKzbLrrv7yIss993csEmwnUImrdhZIXqpe5CNXpwsmfsWPL5ogkzNqqtXDAVKpkdkbvQMUanBgnSzFGwMQ7Y5NyPcTutXw$)Published 10/23/23. NWEA senior research scientist Scott Peters offers a thoughtful approach to using MAP Growth data to identify advanced learning opportunities for students. The approach helps educators balance access, sensitivity, alignment, and cost in making these key placement decisions.You can learn more about gifted and talented placement by reading this [**28-page document**](https://urldefense.com/v3/__https%3A/mkto-g0180.com/OTc2LUlZSS02OTQAAAGQByu_3c9ZtYrb43Jbw2laKAlWg2ILJRm0rvW1lM6QCDeCcUpAlP_NEN5kw9fiXNs1uk7TD9k%3D__;!!IgVO_fivXNuCtWYCOg!JKzbLrrv7yIss993csEmwnUImrdhZIXqpe5CNXpwsmfsWPL5ogkzNqqtXDAVKpkdkbvQMUanBgnSzFGwMQ7Y5NzkbpqJyQ$) (originally published 9/26/23). This document offers guidance on how NWEA MAP Growth can help educators decide which students are ready for or would benefit from advanced learning opportunities, such as gifted and talented programs.

**Popular NWEA Connection articles** * [**How-to guide for accessing teacher reports**](https://urldefense.com/v3/__https%3A/mkto-g0180.com/OTc2LUlZSS02OTQAAAGQByu_3R8AnHbyMxy9LLBcn4gHYUNZFqf7z5WDS7WiPhfsGb9VwPjIZTGWZf2Qx_u5liyzd4Y%3D__;!!IgVO_fivXNuCtWYCOg!JKzbLrrv7yIss993csEmwnUImrdhZIXqpe5CNXpwsmfsWPL5ogkzNqqtXDAVKpkdkbvQMUanBgnSzFGwMQ7Y5Ny86GFshw$)
* [**Practice tests (formerly test warm-ups) for MAP Growth**](https://urldefense.com/v3/__https%3A/mkto-g0180.com/OTc2LUlZSS02OTQAAAGQByu_3W2IQQO4Kd_AeQG4BhX5N8kx_0vDNKdNemag8HgEhdjY5RpsUeY3hJtYmjSGhBcfxPI%3D__;!!IgVO_fivXNuCtWYCOg!JKzbLrrv7yIss993csEmwnUImrdhZIXqpe5CNXpwsmfsWPL5ogkzNqqtXDAVKpkdkbvQMUanBgnSzFGwMQ7Y5NztM6Xnvw$)
* [**Does a student's growth projection change based on their winter MAP Growth test?**](https://urldefense.com/v3/__https%3A/mkto-g0180.com/OTc2LUlZSS02OTQAAAGQByu_3Tyv67Ehk52VxkTZmKvvHtGj5R7SqXDAJ_DEy3S4mnYSiUMW5HT91v_XelnK0T-j4Ck%3D__;!!IgVO_fivXNuCtWYCOg!JKzbLrrv7yIss993csEmwnUImrdhZIXqpe5CNXpwsmfsWPL5ogkzNqqtXDAVKpkdkbvQMUanBgnSzFGwMQ7Y5NykzaMtgQ$)
* [**Does adding a growth goal in the Student Profile change growth projections on other reports?**](https://urldefense.com/v3/__https%3A/mkto-g0180.com/OTc2LUlZSS02OTQAAAGQByu_3Q8U5d0pTrudLAx35mFE5Hqgkbt0BoN4XF8jkkmvSwpdyTy1_BIE38KFhCFKLZi4w94%3D__;!!IgVO_fivXNuCtWYCOg!JKzbLrrv7yIss993csEmwnUImrdhZIXqpe5CNXpwsmfsWPL5ogkzNqqtXDAVKpkdkbvQMUanBgnSzFGwMQ7Y5NzQQE7uXg$)
* [**Do we need to upload a roster for every term of MAP Growth testing?**](https://urldefense.com/v3/__https%3A/mkto-g0180.com/OTc2LUlZSS02OTQAAAGQByu_3XOcpTBGMzLxjxpYPdz59r-j9ui28qNX68G5clsRxqyrKfFmwqoLYUYK7_4XKLCS2YE%3D__;!!IgVO_fivXNuCtWYCOg!JKzbLrrv7yIss993csEmwnUImrdhZIXqpe5CNXpwsmfsWPL5ogkzNqqtXDAVKpkdkbvQMUanBgnSzFGwMQ7Y5NxSrL7Q0Q$)
* [**Screening test overview for MAP Growth**](https://urldefense.com/v3/__https%3A/mkto-g0180.com/OTc2LUlZSS02OTQAAAGQByu_3Xjz69RUEDy18pf3dA6JL4u5-G84GrYg6iXFM_QcnLpR7cMUh-BzRpIXUTrTp2rK2es%3D__;!!IgVO_fivXNuCtWYCOg!JKzbLrrv7yIss993csEmwnUImrdhZIXqpe5CNXpwsmfsWPL5ogkzNqqtXDAVKpkdkbvQMUanBgnSzFGwMQ7Y5Nxk0ABYKA$)
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| **We’re here when you need us—contact Partner Support**  |
| Need help? If the issue you’re experiencing isn’t urgent, visit our [**NWEA Connection Support page**](https://urldefense.com/v3/__https%3A/mkto-g0180.com/OTc2LUlZSS02OTQAAAGQByu_3WkzXiM5Z1YYDB1gsFONb1MJxHHyibnzinpB5qcs9GJB0uaBd0eZU0dUPjb5ZR-i5Fc%3D__;!!IgVO_fivXNuCtWYCOg!JKzbLrrv7yIss993csEmwnUImrdhZIXqpe5CNXpwsmfsWPL5ogkzNqqtXDAVKpkdkbvQMUanBgnSzFGwMQ7Y5NwD0fF-CQ$), where you can open a support case or chat with the support team. You can also email us at [**techsupport@nwea.org**](https://urldefense.com/v3/__https%3A/mkto-g0180.com/OTc2LUlZSS02OTQAAAGQByu_3eA9pzt8I-2F0AAamlREeDnWpyyCW0CfzzsduLGqCz0RTEuUxltr27KNbyXL7jAzkek%3D__;!!IgVO_fivXNuCtWYCOg!JKzbLrrv7yIss993csEmwnUImrdhZIXqpe5CNXpwsmfsWPL5ogkzNqqtXDAVKpkdkbvQMUanBgnSzFGwMQ7Y5NwTWFS6IA$) or call us at 877.469.3287.  |

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