

NM-MSSA Calculator Use in Mathematics		
Grade	Session 1	Session 2
3	None	Basic
4	None	Basic
5	None	Basic
6	None	Basic
7	None	Scientific
8	None	Scientific

Students should be thoroughly familiar with the operation of the calculator they plan to use on the assessment.

Paper-Based Test (PBT)

Students in grades 3–5 who are taking the PBT can use a school provided or personal four-function calculator with a square root key during Session 2. Students in grade 6 who are taking the PBT can use their own four-function calculator with a square root key during Session 2. *This was new for 2020-2021 and is a change from previous years.* Students in grades 7–8 who are taking the PBT can use their own scientific calculator during Session 2. The memory on any handheld calculator **must be cleared** before the test begins.

Computer-Based Test (CBT)

A calculator is available online in the eMetric platform. Students in grades 3–5 who are taking the CBT can use a school provided or personal four-function calculator with a square root key during Session 2. Students in grade 6 who are taking the CBT can use a school provided or personal four-function calculator with a square root key during Session 2. *This was new for 2020-2021 and is a change from previous years.* Students in grades 7–8 who are taking the CBT can use a school provided or personal scientific calculator during Session 2. The memory on any handheld calculator **must be cleared** before the test begins. You can clear the memory on the TI-30XS by:

Reset the TI-30XS MultiView

- You can ensure that everyone starts at the same point by having students reset the calculator: Press **on** and **clear** simultaneously or press **2nd** **[reset]** and then select **2** (Yes).

The images below show the calculators that are available for use in the online testing platform.



Calculator Accommodations

For students with Individualized Education Programs (IEPs), follow each child’s documented and required accommodations.