## NATIONAL ASSESSMENT OF EDUCATIONAL PROGRESS

# Wave 2 Submittal for 2011 VOLUME II

#### Part 2c

## **BACKGROUND QUESTIONS**

FOR 2011 ASSESSMENT

### **Student Grade 8 MCBS Questions**



Part 2c contains:
Student Grade 8 MCBS Questions

The amount of time estimated to complete this form is 10 minutes.

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## STUDENT QUESTIONNAIRES

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## SECTION 4

This section has 21 questions. Select only **one** circle for each question except where instructed otherwise.

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- 1. What math class are you taking this year?
  - **©** Geometry
  - Algebra II
  - Algebra I (one-year course)
  - First year of a two-year Algebra I course
  - © Second year of a two-year Algebra I course
  - Introduction to algebra or pre-algebra
  - © Basic or general eighth-grade math
  - (B) Integrated or sequential math
  - Other math class

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- 2. What math class do you expect to take next year?
  - Geometry
  - Algebra II
  - Algebra I (one-year course)
  - First year of a two-year Algebra I course
  - © Second year of a two-year Algebra I course
  - Introduction to algebra or pre-algebra
  - © Basic or general math
  - Integrated or sequential math
  - Business or consumer math
  - Other math class
  - © I don't know.

- 3. Do you study or do work for math at an after-school or tutoring program?
  - A Yes
  - ® No

4. How often do you feel the following way in your math class? Select **one** circle on each line.

	Never or hardly ever	Sometimes	Often	Always or almost always	
a. I have a clear understanding of what my math teacher is asking me to do.	A	®	©	•	VE401530
b. The math work is too easy.	lack	®	©	•	VE401532
c The math work is challenging.	lack	®	©	<b>(D)</b>	VE401533
d. The math work is engaging and interesting.	<b>(A)</b>	<b>®</b>	©	•	VE401534
e. I am learning.	<b>(A)</b>	$^{\odot}$	0	•	VE401535

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5. Please indicate how much you DISAGREE or AGREE with the following statements. Select **one** circle on each line.

	Strongly disagree	Disagree	Agree	Strongly agree	
a. Because math is fun, I wouldn't want to give it up.	<b>(A)</b>	B	0	•	VE401544
b. I like math.	lack	$^{\odot}$	©	0	VE401545
c. Math is one of my favorite subjects.	lack	$^{ ext{ B}}$	©	0	VE401547

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6. How often do you use these different types of calculators in your math class?

	use	but not often	use	
a. Basic four-function (addition, subtraction, multiplication, division)	<b>(A)</b>	<b>®</b>	©	VE401566
b. Scientific (not graphing)	A	<b>B</b>	©	VE401567
c. Graphing	A	$^{ ext{                                  $	$\bigcirc$	VE401568

7. When you	take a math	test or quiz,
how often	do you use a	calculator?

- Never
- Sometimes
- © Always

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8. For each of the following activities, how often do you use a **calculator**? Select **one** circle on each line.

	Never or hardly ever	Once every few weeks	About once a week	Two or three times a week	Every day or almost every day		
a. To check your work on math homework assignments	<b>(A)</b>	<b>®</b>	©	•	<b>(</b>	VE401578	
b. To calculate the answers to math homework problems	<b>(A)</b>	<b>B</b>	©	•	(E)	VE401579	
c. To work in class on math lessons led by your teacher	A	<b>®</b>	0	0	Ē	VE401580	

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- 9. What kind of **calculator** do you usually use when you are **not in math class**?
  - None
  - Basic four-function (addition, subtraction, multiplication, division)
  - © Scientific (not graphing)
  - © Graphing

- 10. How often do you use a computer for math at school?
  - Never or hardly ever
  - ® Once every few weeks
  - About once a week
  - Two or three times a week
  - © Every day or almost every day

- 11. Do you use a computer for math homework at home?
  - A Yes
  - ® No

- 12. On a typical day, how much time do you spend doing work for math class on a computer? Include work you do in class and for homework.
  - None
  - Half an hour or less
  - © About 1 hour
  - About 2 hours
  - © More than 2 hours

13. When you are doing math for school or homework, how often do you use these **different types of computer programs**? Select **one** circle on each line.

	Never or hardly ever	Once every few weeks	About once a week	Two or three times a week	Every done or almo every do	st
a. A spreadsheet program for math class assignments	A	®	©	•	(E)	VE401623
b. A program to practice or drill on math facts (addition, subtraction, multiplication, division)	(A)	B	©	•	Ē	VE401624
c. A program that presents new math lessons with problems to solve	<b>(A)</b>	<b>B</b>	0	•	(E)	VE401625
d. The Internet to learn things for math class	A	®	©	•	(E)	VE401626
e. A calculator program on the computer to solve or check problems for math class	<b>(A)</b>	B	©	•	©	VE401627
f. A graphing program on the computer to make charts or graphs for math class	<b>(A)</b>	B	©	•	©	VE401628
g. A statistical program to calculate patterns such as correlations or cross tabulations	<b>(A)</b>	B	©	•	Ē	VE401629
h. A word processing program to write papers for math class	A	®	©	•	Œ	VE401630
i. A program to work with geometric shapes for math class	A	®	©	•	(E)	VE401631

14. Do you use the Internet at home?	
Yes	
® No	

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15. How often do you use e-mail, instant messages, blogs, or text messages to do any of the following? Select **one** circle on each line.

	Never or hardly ever	Once every few weeks	About once a week	Two or three times a week	Every da or almo every da	st
a. Talk online with friends about math work	A	<b>®</b>	©	•	Ē	VE401679
b. Get help with math from someone other than your teacher, family, classmates, or friends	A	₿	©	0	©	VE401680

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- 16. How hard was this test compared to most other tests you have taken this year in school?
  - Easier than other tests
  - About as hard as other tests
  - Harder than other tests
  - Much harder than other tests

- 17. How hard did you try on this test compared to how hard you tried on most other tests you have taken this year in school?
  - Not as hard as on other tests
  - About as hard as on other tests
  - Harder than on other tests
  - Much harder than on other tests

- 18. How important was it to you to do well on this test?
  - Not very important
  - Somewhat important
  - © Important
  - O Very important

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- 19. Have you ever taken a test on the computer? The test may have been a classroom test, a standardized test, a practice test or quiz, or any other type of test.
  - A Yes
  - ® No

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- 20. Do you prefer taking a test on computer or on paper?
  - Computer
  - ® Paper
  - It does not matter.

- 21. Please indicate how much you disagree or agree with the following statement: This test was easy.
  - Strongly disagree
  - Disagree
  - Agree
  - Strongly agree

