

A-GAME and NC MPS NWEA MAP data collaboration

A-GAME, a federally funded partnership between The National Charter Schools Institute and Momentum Strategy & Research, works with schools and charter authorizers to develop goals that are responsive to schools' missions, designs, contexts, and student populations that go beyond state testing and graduation rates.

NC MPS is working with A-GAME to develop assessments and goals for charter Montessori schools.

We know that many Montessori schools use the Northwest Education Association's Measures of Academic Progress (NWEA MAP). We are asking schools to share MAP data, to better understand how this assessment works for Montessori. A-GAME is particularly interested in two questions:

- Does years of attendance relate to students' proficiency and growth?
- Does performance at the end of a three-year cycle provide better evidence of the impact of Montessori?

While the A-GAME project is focused on charter schools, any public Montessori can provide data—charter or not. And the data shared will help all public Montessori schools. In addition, participating schools will get the results of their school's outcomes compared to the full set. No schools will be identified in any public facing reports.

To Participate:

Contact A-GAME's lead researcher, Dr. Jody Ernst, at jernst@momentum-sr.org.

Participating schools will receive a confidentiality and data use agreement as well as instruction for downloading data from NWEA's growth reports portal. Some enrollment data will also be collected. Data will be securely uploaded to a private, password protected folder.

Schools can also contact Dr. Ernst with any questions about the project.