# Algebra Progress Monitoring in Secondary Mathematics: Using AAIMS Algebra Measures

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### PaTTAN's Mission

The mission of the Pennsylvania
Training and Technical Assistance
Network (PaTTAN) is to support
the efforts and initiatives of the
Bureau of Special Education, and to
build the capacity of local educational
agencies to serve students who
receive special education services.

PDE's Commitment to Least Restrictive Environment (LRE)

Our goal for each child is to ensure Individualized Education Program (IEP) teams begin with the general education setting with the use of Supplementary Aids and Services before considering a more restrictive environment.

### Training Objectives

- Discuss core tenets of progress monitoring
- Identify features of AAIMS Algebra Progress Monitoring Measures (probes)
- Acquire the skills needed to administer and score progress monitoring Algebra probes

### **Progress Monitoring**



### The ongoing process which involves:

- Collecting and analyzing data to determine student progress toward goals and objectives.
- Creating a graphic representation of the data.
- Making instructional decisions based on the review and analysis of student data graphs.

### **General Outcomes Measures**

Simple

Repeated measurement



Growth over time

A simple set of procedures for repeated measurement of student growth toward long-range instructional goals (Deno, 1985).

### Big Ideas about General Outcome Measures...

- Indicators of foundational skill success
- Basic skill success for students by age and instructional grade
- Tasks of equal difficulty tied to the general curriculum
- Simple, accurate, and efficient indicators of student achievement
- Designed to assess GROWTH

# Algebra Measures

## Algebra Assessment and Instruction-Meeting Standards AAIMS

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### Monitoring Critical Skills of Algebra

- Provides formative assessment of student performance
- Allows for assessment of accuracy and fluency
- Provides formative error analysis
- Focuses on objectives (the foundation for success in other aspects of mathematics)
- Includes probes designed to reflect the scope and sequence of the mathematics curriculum

### **Potential Applications**

- Diagnostic tool for new students
- Identifying common errors, forgotten concepts for review/warm-up activities
- Incorporate into IEP goals as a means to monitor algebra progress
- Administer to 8<sup>th</sup> grade students to assist with decisions about 9<sup>th</sup> grade algebra course options

### **Materials Needed**

- Student Probes
- Answer Key
- **■** Timer
- Script



### **Administration Procedures**

- Standardized administration
  - Sample scripts provided
  - Initial presentation directions are more elaborate;
     on-going probes are more brief
  - Verbatim not essential, but consistency is important!
  - Required elements need to be included
- **■** Exact timing



# Standard Directions: Required Elements for All Probes

- Prompt to label paper with name and date;
  - ■"Please write your name and the date on your paper"
- Identify the task
  - ■"We're going to do a Translations probe"
- Encourage students to do their best work and as many problems as possible
  - ■"Try to do as many problems as you can"
  - ■"Please do your best work"
- Identify the amount of time to work
  - ■"You will have \_ minutes to work"
- Prompt to begin

# Available Measures for Monitoring Progress in Algebra

- I. (Algebra) Basic Skills
- 2. Algebra Foundations
- 3. Translations
- 4. Content Analysis-Multiple Choice

### **Basic Skills**

- 60 problems
- 5 minutes
- Problems reflect the 'tool skills' of algebra
  - Solving simple equations
  - Applying the distributive property
  - Working with integers
  - Simplifying expressions
  - Applying proportional reasoning

Solve:	
9 + a = 15	a =
Evaluate:	_
12 + (-8) + 3	
12+(-0)+3	
Simplify:	
2x + 4 + 3x + 5	
Solve:	_
12 - k = 4	k =
Simplify:	_
4(3+s)-7	
Simplify:	
b+b+2b	
Solve:	-
r 12	
6 18	r =
Simplify:	
7 - 3(f - 2)	
Evaluate:	-
-5+(-4)-1	
Solve:	_
63 + c = 9	c =
Simplify:	
2(s-1) + 4 + 5s	
Simplify:	-
8m - 9(m + 2)	
Solve:	_
3 ft. = 1 yd.	
ft. = 9 yds.	
Evaluate:	_
4 - (-2) + 8	
Simplify:	
2k + 3 - 5(k + 7)	

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Solve:	
10-6=g	g =
Simplify:	
9 - 4d + 2 + 7d	
Simplify:	
5(b-3)-b	
Solve:	
$q \cdot 5 = 30$	q =
Evaluate:	
8 - (-6) - 4	
Simplify:	
2+w(w-5)	
Solve:	
1 ft. =12 in.	
5 ft. = in.	
Simplify:	
4 - 7b + 5(b - 1)	
Simplify:	
s+2s-4s	
Solve:	
x + 4 = 7	x =
Simplify:	
-5(q+3)+9	
Evaluate:	
9 + (-3) - 8	
Solve:	
12 _ 48	m =
2 m	<i>""-</i>
Simplify:	
$y^2 + y - 4y + 3y^2$	
Simplify:	
3(c+2)-2c	

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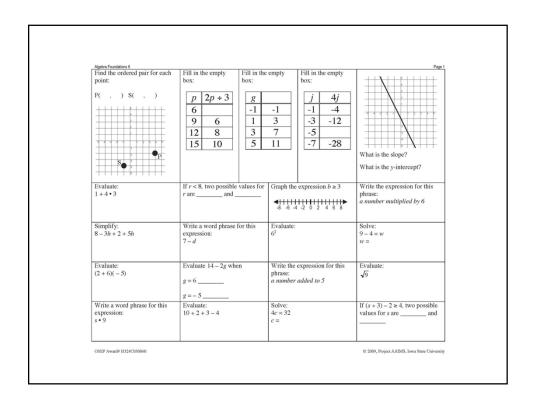
### Let's Practice!

Basic Skills Measures



### **Algebra Foundations**

- 42 items worth 50 points
- 5 minutes
- Problems reflect foundational concepts in algebra
  - Writing and evaluating variables and expressions
  - Manipulating expressions (integers, exponents, order of operations)
  - Basic graphing
  - Solving one-step equations and simplifying expressions
  - Identifying and extending patterns and functions



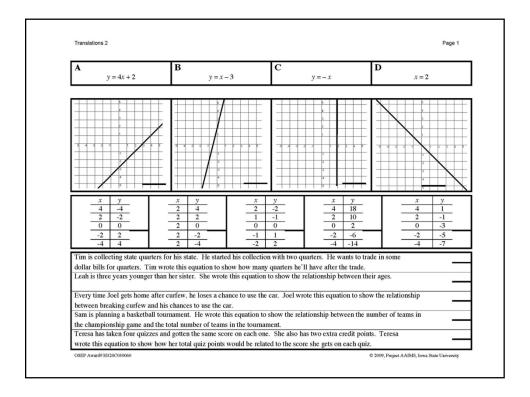
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Algebra Foundations Measures

### **Translations**

- 42 problems
- 7 minutes
- Problems reflect conceptual understanding in algebra and the ability to represent relationships in multiple formats
  - **■** Equations
  - Graphs
  - Data tables
  - Story scenarios



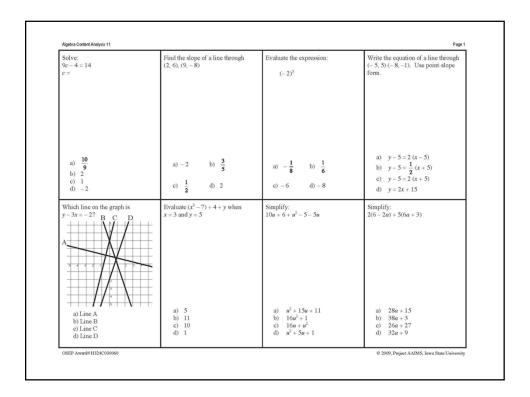
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Translations Measures



### **Content Analysis-Multiple Choice**

- 16 problems
- 7 minutes
- Multiple choice format
- Problems are sampled from the Algebra I textbook common to all 3 AAIMS districts (McDougal Littell)
- Problems are sampled from the first 8 chapters of the text (earlier versions sampled the entire text)
- Order of the problems is random



### Let's Practice!

Content Analysis Measures



# Scoring the Probes



### Scoring the Probes: Basic Skills

- Problems correct
- Accept mathematically equivalent responses
- Ignore skipped problems; they are neither correct nor incorrect

Algebra Basic Skills 1 Solve:		
9 + a = 15	a= 6	
Evaluate:		
12 + (-8) + 3	23	
Simplify:		
2x + 4 + 3x + 5	9+5x	
Solve:	1	
12-k=4	k = 8	
Simplify:		
4(3+s)-7	5+5	
Simplify:		
b+b+2b	2 <i>b</i> <sup>3</sup>	
Solve:		
r = 12	r =	
$\frac{r}{6} = \frac{12}{18}$	r –	
Simplify:		
7 - 3(f - 2)	7-34-6	
Evaluate:		
-5+(-4)-1	-10	
Solve:		
$63 \div c = 9$	c= 7	
Simplify:	1	
2(s-1)+4+5s	75+3	
Simplify:		
8m - 9(m + 2)	17m+2	
Solve:		
3  ft. = 1  yd.	The state of the s	
ft. = 9 yds.	27	
Evaluate:		
4-(-2)+8	. 14	
Simplify: $2k+3-5(k+7)$		
	3K+10	

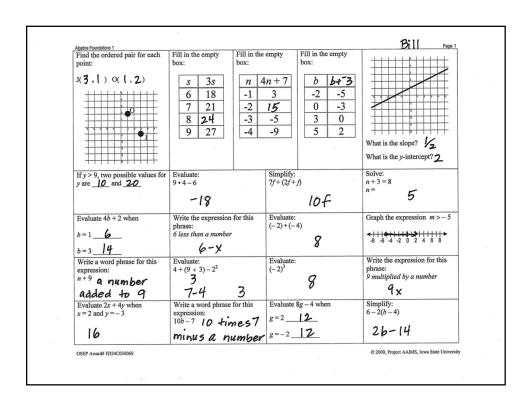
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Solve: $10-6=g$	g= 4
Simplify: $9-4d+2+7d$	,
Simplify:	11+3d
5(b-3)-b	46-3
Solve: $q \cdot 5 = 30$	q= 6
Evaluate: 8 – (– 6) – 4	10
Simplify: $2 + w(w - 5)$	
Solve: 1 ft. =12 in.	
5 ft. = in.	
Simplify: $4-7b+5(b-1)$	4-76+56-5
Simplify: $s + 2s - 4s$	
Solve: $x + 4 = 7$	x= 3
Simplify: $-5(q+3)+9$	*= 3 -5q-15+9
Evaluate: 9 + (-3) - 8	2
Solve: 12 48	
2 m	m =
Simplify: $y^2 + y - 4y + 3y^2$	
Simplify: $3(c+2)-2c$	6+0

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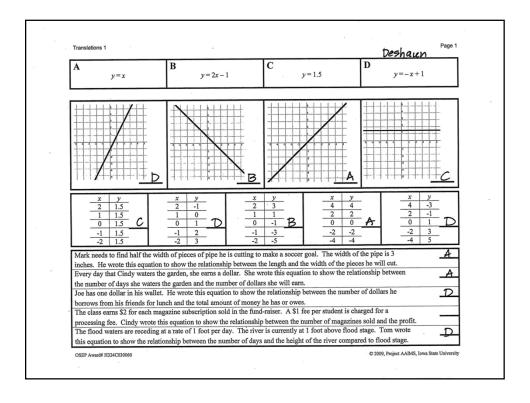
### Scoring the Probes: Algebra Foundations

- Problems correct scoring
- One point per response/blank
- Accept mathematically equivalent responses
- Ignore skipped problems; they are neither correct nor incorrect
- Score coordinate graph problems as I point for each ordered PAIR



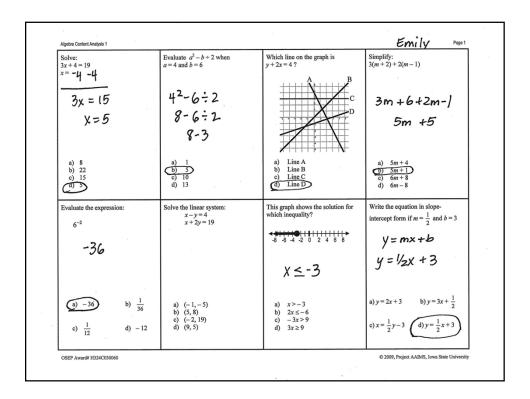
### Scoring the Probes: **Translations**

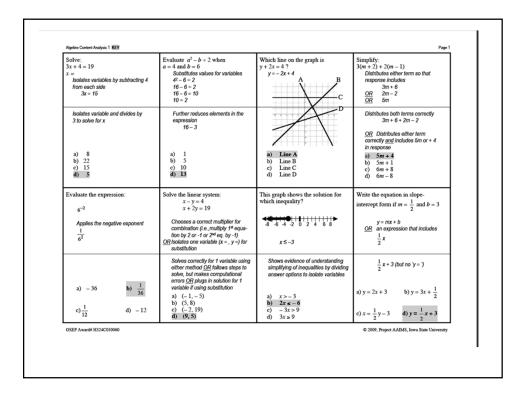
- Translations
  - Count problems correct
  - Count problems incorrect
  - Final score = Correct Incorrect



### Scoring the Probes: Content Analysis-Multiple Choice

- Partial credit scoring procedures
  - 1. Is the answer correct? (yes=3 pts.)
  - 2. Is the answer incorrect with no work shown  $(yes=\sqrt)$  When totaling, count as -I
  - 3. Compare student's work to scoring rubric
    - Answer has features above the line are worth l pt
    - Answer has features below the line are worth 2 pts
    - If work does not align with rubric, no points are earned, score as 0 points





### **Implement Progress Monitoring**

- Select type of probe to administer
- Schedule for data collection
  - Depends on your use of the probe and student needs
    - Monthly for year-long classes
    - Twice monthly for block schedule
    - Three times per year for screening
    - Quarterly for progress monitoring

### Rates of Average Weekly Progress

Developers of the measures recommend the following rates of average weekly growth, based on the their research:

- .4 points/week growth for Algebra Basic Skills and Algebra Foundations
- .5 points/week growth for Algebra Content Analysis

### Data Collection: Using the Algebra Measures

- Choose the type of probe/s to administer (and stay with this type for the entire course)
- Administer and score probes
- Graph data and analyze progress
- Plan instruction

### **Complete Homework Assignment**

- 1. Participants score Max Probes
- Each participant upon submission of their completed assignment will receive one AAIMS Measures CD with probes and administration instructions.



### **Options for Submitting Assignment**

- Email to algebra@pattanpgh.net
- US Mail to PaTTAN King of Prussia,

Attention Ernie Melcher

- 200 Anderson Rd, King of Prussia, PA 19406
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Due by January 6, 2012

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