

Rhode Island Alternate Assessment 2008 - 2009
Web-based vs. Downloadable Measured Progress ProFile™

Considerations	Web-based ProFile™	Downloadable ProFile™
Measured Progress ProFile™ Capabilities	<p>The web-based version has full capabilities to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • input student information • create necessary forms • make data calculations • transfer information to multiple forms automatically • check spelling 	<p>The downloadable version has full capabilities to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • input student information • create necessary forms • make data calculations • transfer information to multiple forms automatically • check spelling
Protection in case of computer crash	<p>The data on the web-based version is stored on the Measured Progress website and backed up on a regular basis. Individual teacher computer crashes <u>will not</u> affect the data storage and can be accessed easily from another computer.</p>	<p>The data on the downloadable version is stored on the computer on which the program was installed. If this computer experiences a significant computer crash, the data <u>may</u> be lost. It is highly recommended to print out all work from the downloadable version and/or backup the program on a regular basis.</p>
Unwanted Log-off	<p>The web-based version requires an internet connection to input all data. Teachers have experienced inadvertent log-offs if there is no ProFile™ activity. It is suggested to input data at a time that interruptions are minimized to avoid this issue. It is also suggested that you save the page before leaving the computer.</p>	<p>The downloadable version is not affected by this issue.</p>
Printing	<p>The web-based version takes much longer to print than the downloadable version. Since each teacher using the web-based version prints on different printers with different settings, teachers must define settings on a continual basis to print the forms in a neat, readable format. It is suggested that teachers print their forms on a regular basis to avoid printing difficulty <i>prior to datafolio submission.</i></p>	<p>Printing on the downloadable version is uncomplicated and fast.</p>
Access to information	<p>The web-based version can be accessed from any computer that is connected to the internet. The file is password protected to allow access to teachers with this information only. Two teachers who share data input can access the information at any time.</p>	<p>The data on the downloadable version is stored on the computer on which the program was downloaded. If data is kept on a school computer, it cannot be accessed from home or another school computer. If the program is placed on a network drive, it can be accessed from any computer that can access the network drive.</p>

2008 Updates to Measured Progress ProFile™

General Changes to Measured Progress Profile™

- When a teacher inputs a date on the Data Summary Sheet (DSS) and indicates this date as “SDF”, the date is automatically transferred to the Student Documentation Form (SDF) when the page is saved.
- A teacher can now input information on the Data Summary Sheet and then scroll down to see the SDF for all three collection periods.
- When data is inputted into the Data Summary Sheet, Measured Progress Profile™ displays a red “error” message if percentages in Independence + Levels of Assistance do not total to 100. Remember to save page. The error message should disappear when “save page” is activated and the total is 100.
- The RIAA Photo Evidence Documentation Form appears when the box on the Student Documentation Form is checked. It only prints out if text is inputted into the form.
- A “Print All Forms” button is now available.
- Be careful not to select the same date twice. If you do, both dates will appear on the Data Summary Sheet, but you will not be able to print the form until all dates are different. An error message appears explaining what dates are the same when attempting to print the Data Summary Sheet.

Science Entry Changes

- When you select an AAGSE in Earth & Space Science for Inquiry, the AAGSE is automatically transferred to the Knowledge entry. This occurs for Physical Science and Life Science also.
- Knowledge Entry: Profile™ averages the accuracy and independence across the three collection periods automatically.
- Structured Performance Task numbers are inputted on all science forms.