

G/T Updates

Gifted/Talented Updates
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Over the summer, we added support for Gifted/Talented, complete with forms, reports, program participation tracking, deadlines tracking, and support resources. Since then, we have continued to work on adding new tools and resources in order to make the program even better.

We're excited to share that we recently made two exciting Gifted/Talented updates:

- NWEA MAP scores can now be bulk loaded for students
- TEKS data has been added as bank values in the **Goals/Learning Opportunities** section of the **G/T Education Plan**

Bulk Load MAP Scores

Now that MAP scores can be bulk loaded for students, test result data can be taken directly from your district's testing vendor and loaded into SameGoal without having to manually populate scores for each student.

Once test scores have been added for a student and district averages have been set by an admin user (**Settings > District Information > Gifted and Talented Information**), this information will be pulled into the **G/T Student Identification Profile** automatically. The **Identification Matrix** can then be used to compare student test scores with district averages to make a determination of whether or not a student qualifies for the Gifted/Talented program.

This process streamlines the assessment workflow and minimizes the amount of manual data entry needed for each student.

Steps *To bulk load NWEA MAP scores:*

1. Download test scores from your district's testing vendor in a .csv file.

2. While logged in as an admin user, navigate to **Settings > Bulk Loader**.
3. Set the **Test Score** Format to **NWEA MAP**.
4. Click **Choose File** next to **Test Scores**.
5. Choose a file from your device to upload.
6. Click **Load**. After loading the scores, each student should have the NWEA MAP scores populated on the **Details** tab.

Achievement								
NWEA MAP Growth				0-201	202-217	218-224	225-234	235-270
MAP Reading BOY	08/06/2023	230	93	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
MAP Math BOY	08/06/2023	240	94	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
MAP Reading MOY	12/01/2023	248	95	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
MAP Math MOY	12/01/2023	250	95	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
MAP Reading EOY	05/05/2024	257	97	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
MAP Math EOY	05/05/2024	263	98	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

 **Tip** The ability to bulk load CogAT scores will be added soon as well.

TEKS Banks

TEA maintains a set of standards for what students should learn, known as **TEKS** (Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills).

We recently created bank values in the **Goals/Learning Opportunities** section of the **G/T Education Plan** that contain **TEKS** data in order to make this information easily accessible while authoring documents. Moving forward, these banks will be maintained by SameGoal.

Steps *To add TEKS data:*

1. Navigate to the **Goals/Learning Opportunities** section of the **G/T Education Plan**.
2. Click into the **TEKS (Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills)** field.
3. Choose a grade.
4. Choose a topic.
5. Click on a saved bank value in order to add it to the field.

TEKS (Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills)

(if applicable):

The screenshot shows a form with a large empty text box at the top. Below it are two dropdown menus: the first is set to 'High School' and the second is set to 'choose a topic'. Below these is a list of 'edit bank' values. The list includes: Advanced Broadcast Journalism I II III, Advanced Journalism: Yearbook I II III/Newspaper I II III/Literary Magazine, Advanced Language for Career Applications, Advanced Quantitative Reasoning, Algebra I, Algebra II, Algebraic Reasoning, and American Sign Language Advanced Independent Study.

High School	choose a topic
edit bank	Advanced Broadcast Journalism I II III
	Advanced Journalism: Yearbook I II III/Newspaper I II III/Literary Magazine
	Advanced Language for Career Applications
	Advanced Quantitative Reasoning
	Algebra I
	Algebra II
	Algebraic Reasoning
	American Sign Language Advanced Independent Study