Using a Balanced Classroom Assessment System to Strengthen Student Learning, Part 1 of 4

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What Does the Research Say About Formative Assessment?

- (Black and Wiliam, 1998)
 a "more profound effect on learning" than other educational interventions
 - Effect sizes between .4 and .7
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 helps students develop
 metacognitive skills and enhance
 motivation
 Impacts on low-achieving students
- (White and Frederickson 2000)
 teaches students to self-assess and self-monitor their own learning
 - Increased conceptual understanding



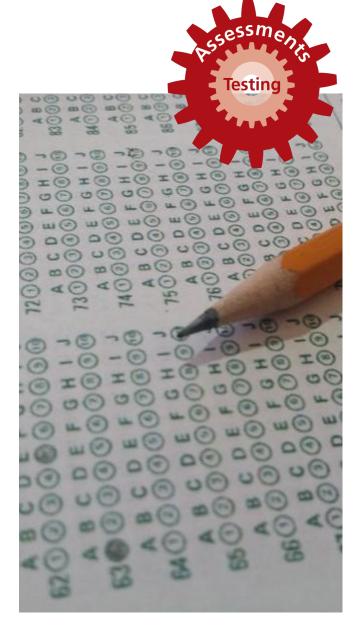
Assessment

- System to measure knowledge and skills
- Formative assessment takes many forms
- Administered at any time in the learning process
- Provides information to determine next steps in instruction.



Standardized Test

- One form of assessment
- Paper and pencil or computer-based
- Typical pattern of asking questions students answer
- Generally, done at the end of a unit, semester or year
- Tend to be summative in nature





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