



Assessments

2026-2027 Assessments Overview

(Test Windows will be confirmed in Summer 2026. District Test Coordinators will be notified of any changes.)

Achievement Assessments

Assessment	Grade(s)	Test Windows	
AASA (ELA and Math) */^/**/****/****	Grades 3-8	Computer-Based Testing: Test Window Coming Soon	Paper-Based Testing: Test Window Coming Soon
AzSCI (Science) ****	Grades 5, 8, and 11 (Cohort 2028)	Computer-Based Testing: Test Window Coming Soon	
ACT Aspire ***/****	Grade 9 (Cohort 2030)	Computer-Based Testing: Test Window Coming Soon	Paper-Based Testing: Test Window Coming Soon
ACT (with Writing) */**/****/****	Grade 11 (Cohort 2028)	Test Window 1: Paper (Standard): March 23, 2027 Paper (Accommodations): March 23-26, March 29-31, April 1-2, 2027 Online: March 23-26, March 29-31, April 1-2, 2027	Test Window 2: Paper (Standard): April 6, 2027 Paper (Accommodations): April 6-9 & April 12-16, 2027 Online: April 6-9 & April 12-16, 2027

English Language Proficiency Assessment

Assessment	Grade(s)	Test Windows
AZELLA Placement - Dynamic Screener **/****	Grades K-12	July 20, 2026 - May 14, 2027
Spring AZELLA Reassessment - Summative **/****	Grades K-12	February 1 - March 19, 2027
Alt ELPA Screener **/****	Eligible students in Grades K-12	August 3, 2026 - May 7, 2027
Alt ELPA Summative **/****	Eligible students in Grades K-12	February 1 - March 19, 2027

Alternate Assessment

Assessment	Grade(s)	Test Windows
MSAA – ELA and Math */**/****	Eligible students in Grades 3 - 8 and 11	Test Window Coming Soon
MSAA – Science ****	Eligible students in Grades 5, 8, and 11	Test Window Coming Soon

National and International Assessments

Assessment	Age	Test Window
NAEP – Science Pilot	Grade 8	Selected schools will be notified of specific test window and students to be tested

Legend:

*Used in Federal Accountability: Participation (95% Tested)

^Used in Federal Accountability: Growth (K-8)

**Used in Federal Accountability: Proficiency/Growth

****Used in State Accountability: Participation/Proficiency/Growth

****Used in State Accountability: CCRI, Acceleration Readiness, or Other

Note: Distinctions are subject to change based on State Board determination regarding the State Accountability System.