

DISTRICT ASSESSMENT CALENDAR

2018 – 2019



<u>Assessment</u>	<u>Testing Dates and Times</u>	<u>Purpose</u>	<u>Results</u>
Universal Screening (AIMSweb) Grades K-9 (required) Grades 10-12 (students in interventions)	Fall - August 2018 Winter – Dec 2018 / Jan 2019 Spring – May 2019 Approximately 40 minutes total per testing cycle	The purpose of the state-mandated universal screening is to provide a data snapshot of a student's current performance at three points during the school year and, in some cases, progress throughout the school year, in a variety of academic areas.	Screening results are not typically distributed outside the school due to their formative nature, but parents can request the information from the school as needed. Results are not used for grades.
ACT Senior Retake	October 2nd 175 minutes total time	ACT is an achievement test that assesses students' academic readiness for college. This administration is for seniors only. ACT participation is a Tennessee graduation requirement.	Like all ACT test administrations, scores are typically available online through ACT 2-4 weeks after testing. Other reporting is released soon after. Results are not used for grades.
PSAT Optional Assessment for 10 th and 11 th grade students	October 24 th 2 hours and 45 minutes	The PSAT is a practice test for the SAT that's offered every fall for 10 th and 11 th graders. It also serves as a qualifying test for the National Merit Scholarship Program, which awards \$2,500 scholarships annually to high -scoring 11 th graders.	PSAT results are typically available in early December, approximately six weeks after a student takes the PSAT.
Civics Test Grades 10-12	Each Quarter Approximately 30 minutes	Participating in the state-mandated Civics Test and project is a graduation requirement for all students. It is administered to all students in their US Government and Civics classes as well as any seniors who have not yet met the requirement.	Results are maintained in PowerSchool to document participation for graduation and the exam counts as one test grade in the US Government and Civics class.
TNReady End of Course Exams Grades 9-12 Grade 8 (Algebra I Students)	Fall: November 26 th - December 14 th Spring: April 15 th – May 3 rd Time varies by course, between 75-230 minutes total time	The state-mandated TCAP Summative Assessments are operational for all courses. Testing will be online, school schedules can vary within the testing window.	Quick scores used for grades will be available before the release of report cards. Full reporting will be made available in the summer. Scores are used as 25% of the semester final average.
Semester Exams (Midterms) & Finals	Fall: December 19 th -21 st Spring: May 20 th – 22 nd 45-90 minutes each	All district-mandated semester exams are teacher-constructed assessments and administered according to the school's specific semester exam schedule	Scores for these assessments are available on Report Cards and visible through PowerSchool. Results are used as 20% of the fall semester final average for middle school and 25% of the fall semester grade for high school.

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National Assessment of Educational Progress Selected 4 th and 8 th graders At selected schools	January 28 th – March 8 th Approximately 90 minutes	The National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP) is the largest continuing and nationally representative assessment of what U.S. students know and can do in various subjects.	Students will not receive individual scores
ACCESS for ELLs Grades K-12 (English Language Learners only)	March 4 th – April 19 th Tests are untimed, but typically about 180 minutes total	The state-mandated ACCESS for ELLs assessment measures English language proficiency levels and is used as one criterion to determine when ELLs have attained the language proficiency needed to participate meaningfully in content area classrooms.	Scores and other information from this assessment are delivered to the schools for distribution in August. Results are not used for grades.
TCAP Alternate Assessments (MSAA & TCAP-Alt) Grades 2-11 (special education students only)	March 18 th – May 10 th Tests are untimed, total time varies based on individual student needs	These state-mandated alternate assessments are for students with the most significant cognitive disabilities for whom participation in the regular state assessment is inappropriate, even with the use of extensive accommodations	Scores and other information from this assessment are delivered to the schools for distribution. Results are not used for grades.
ACT Grade 11	March 12 th Accommodations: March 12 th – April 30 th Make-ups April 2 nd or 24 th	ACT is an achievement test that assesses students' academic readiness for college. This administration is for seniors only. ACT participation is a Tennessee graduation requirement.	Like all ACT test administrations, scores are typically available online through ACT 2-4 weeks after testing. Other reporting is released soon after. Results are not used for grades.
TNReady Summative Assessments Grades 2-8	April 15 th – May 3 rd Time varies by subject/grade, between 50-230 minutes total time	The state-mandated TCAP Summative Assessments are operational in all content areas. School schedules can vary within the testing window	Quick scores used for grades will be available before the release of report cards. Full reporting will be made available in the summer. Scores are used as 15% of the spring semester final average.
Advanced Placement (AP) Grades 9-12 (course specific)	May 6 th – May 17 th	The optional APs are final exams for the corresponding college-level course taken in high school. Scores can be used to award credit or determine placement upon entering college.	Scores and other information become available online through College Board starting in July. Results are not used for grades.

Visit these sites for more information:

TNReady: <https://www.tn.gov/education/assessment.html>

NAEP: <https://nces.ed.gov/nationsreportcard/>

Access for ELLs: <https://www.wida.us/Assessment/access20.aspx>

ACT: <https://www.act.org/>

PSAT: <https://collegereadiness.collegeboard.org/psat-nmsqt-psat-10>

AP: <https://apcentral.collegeboard.org/>

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