



JMCCS District Assessment

Calendar 2023 – 2024

<u>Assessment</u>	<u>Testing Dates and Times</u>	<u>Purpose</u>	<u>Results</u>
(AIMSweb) Universal Screener Grades K-3 (All Students) Grades 4-12 (SPED and any student in the RTI process or any other interventions)	Fall: Aug. 7-Sept.15, 2023 Winter: January 1-30, 2024 Spring: April 15-May 17, 2024 Approximately 40 minutes total per testing cycle	The state-mandated universal screening provides 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 them from the school. Results are not used in grades.
I Ready Diagnostic Students in grades K-8	Fall: Aug. 7-Sept. 15, 2023 Winter: Nov. 27, 2023-Jan. 30, 2024 Spring: April 15-May 17, 2024 Approximately 50-90 minutes per test	The purpose of <i>i-Ready</i> is to provide personalized instruction and support the needs of all learners in reading and math	Screening results are not always distributed outside the school due to their formative nature, but parents can request them from the school. Results are not used in grades.
District Benchmark Assessments (Mastery Connect) Grades 2-11 in all State Tested Subjects	Grades 2-8 and year long high school classes –First 3 weeks of school and the last week of each of the first 3 quarters. HS Block Schedule – each 6 weeks	These district interim assessments are used throughout the year to measure each student's progress towards mastery of standards. Data can then be used to plan any needed instructional adjustments prior to end-of-year assessments.	Benchmark results are not typically distributed outside the school due to their formative nature, but parents can request the information from the school as needed. The use of scores for grades is a building-level decision.
ACT Senior Retake	October 3-5, 2023 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.	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 2-31, 2023 2 hours and 45 minutes	The PSAT is a practice test for the SAT. It is offered every fall for 10 th and 11 th graders. It also is 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	Passing the state-mandated Civics Test and project is a graduation requirement for all students. It is administered in the 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 and passing for graduation and the exam counts as one test grade in the US Government and Civics class.
TCAP End of Course Exams Grades 9-12 Grade 8 (Algebra I Students)	Fall: Nov. 27-Dec.14, 2023 Spring: April 15-May 3, 2024 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.

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Semester Exams (Midterms) & Finals	Fall: December 18-20, 2023 Spring: May 22-24, 2024 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.
National Assessment of Educational Progress Selected 4 th and 8 th graders At selected schools	January–March 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)	February 5-March 29, 2024 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-Ait) Grades 2-11 (special education students only)	March 11-April 26, 2024 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 26-29, 2024 Make-ups April 1-4, 2024	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.
TCAP Summative Assessments Grades 2-8	April 15-May 3, 2024 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 6-17, 2024	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>

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

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

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

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

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