

2023-2024 Key Assessment Milestones

	All Assessments	NAEP	ACCESS 2.0	ELA & Math Gen. Ed.	ELA & Math Alt.	Science & Science Alt.
August & September	-All test windows posted on district websites New Assessment Coordinator Workshop September 7: 10-12 CT (virtual training)	If selected, supt. and principal are notified. Select a Test Coordinator to communicate with State Coordinator and Field Staff. This is often an Assessment Director.	Identification: -30 Days from beginning of school year screen and identify EL students in Infinite Campus new to district -Once 30 days have passed, schools have two weeks to complete screening and identification of EL students -Install secure browsers	-Active district calendar in Infinite Campus starts nightly rolling of student profiles into assessment system -Clean up User Accounts -Roster students -Install secure browsers -Interims live August 18	Reporting system is live July 17-September 8 to get results from Spring 2023 testing	-Active district calendar in Infinite Campus starts nightly rolling of student profiles into assessment system -Clean up User Accounts -Roster students -Install secure browsers -Interims live August 18
October & November	Documentation for Braille and Large Print due to DOE Sept. 1					
December			Student data file loaded into system Administration Workshops:		Students eligible for alternate assessment must be correctly documented in Infinite Campus by Dec. 1	
January		Test Window Opens January 29	Administration Workshops: -Train staff: Staff administering tests must complete training modules prior to testing -Test window opens January 22		Student data file loaded into system for all students properly identified in Infinite Campus	
February	Winter Workshops Feb. 13 – Sioux Falls* Feb. 14 – Sioux Falls* Feb. 15 – Watertown* Feb. 20 – Pierre* Feb. 21 – Rapid City*		Test window closes February 23	Documentation for Text-to-Speech (TTS) ELA Passages & ALL other non-embedded accommodations due to DOE: Feb. 1 -Train staff: Staff training modules available	-Add Test Administrators to system -Train Staff: Test Administrators complete training modules before accessing test	Documentation for Text-to-Speech (TTS) ELA Passages & ALL other non-embedded accommodations due to DOE: Feb. 1 -Train staff: Staff training modules available
March		Test Window Closes March 8		ICA interims close March 1 Summative Window opens March 25	Test Window opens March 11	Summative window opens March 25
April	Letters to parents regarding testing				Test window closes April 26	
May	Letters to parents regarding testing		-Individual student reports available -Shared with parents and teachers	All test windows close May 3		All test windows close May 3
June & July				Individual student reports will be available in a rolling fashion approximately 3 weeks after testing completed.	Individual student reports will be available late July	Individual student reports will be available in a rolling fashion approximately 3 weeks after testing completed

COLOR CODE: Important Due Date Training Test Window Opens Test Window Closes

*Dates and locations subject to change. All updates will be posted in the weekly newsletter.

2023-2024 South Dakota Assessment Overview

Assessment Type	Assessment Name	Subject	Grades	Estimated Time to Complete ¹	Testing Window	Recently Arrived in U.S. Exemption Date ²
General Summative Assessments ³	SD English Language Arts	English Language Arts	3-8, 11	2 sessions, 1.5-2 hours each	03/25/24 to 05/03/24	Exempt 1 st year in country
	SD Math	Mathematics	3-8, 11	2 sessions, 1-2 hours each	03/25/24 to 05/03/24	No exemption in math
	SD Science	Science	5, 8, 11	1 session, 1-1.5 hours	03/25/24 to 05/03/24	No exemption in science
General Summative Alternative Assessments	SD ELA-Alt (MSAA)	English Language Arts	3-8, 11	Varies	03/11/24 To 04/26/24	Exempt 1 st year in country
	SD Math-Alt (MSAA)	Mathematics	3-8, 11	Varies	03/11/24 To 04/26/24	No exemption in math
	SD Science-Alt	Science	5, 8, 11	Varies	03/25/24 to 05/03/24	No exemption in science
EL Assessments ⁴	ACCESS	Four Domains: reading, speaking, listening, writing	k-12	Varies	01/22/24 to 02/23/24	No exemption, Required for all EL students
	ACCESS Alt		1-12	Varies		

Notes

¹Time estimates are for scheduling purposes only. South Dakota Assessments are untimed. Please provide adequate time for students to finish.

² First entry by the student in a U.S. school.

³ Headphones required for SD-Math and SD-ELA.

⁴Headphones with microphone required.