

2024-2025 Key Assessment Milestones

	All Assessments	NAEP	ACCESS 2.0	ELA, Math, & Science Gen. Ed.	ELA & Math Alt. (MSAA)	Science Alt.
August & September	All test windows posted on district websites New Assessment Coordinator Workshop September 10: 10-12 CT (virtual training) Documentation for Braille and Large Print due to DOE Sept. 1	Spring 2025 Field Test (Required): If selected, superintendent and principal are notified. The school must select a Test Coordinator to communicate with State Coordinator and Field Staff. This is often an Assessment Coordinator.	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 16	Reporting system is live July 15 -September 6 for districts to download results from Spring 2024 testing	
October & November			Preparing for SD ELP Assessment Training Nov. 7 @ 10:30 or 3:30	Interim Assessment regional training: dates TBD		
December			ACCESS: Paper, Kindergarten and Alt ACCESS Training Dec. 10 @ 10:30 or 3:30 Training for ACCESS: Online Dec. 12 @ 10:30 or 3:30		Students identified for alternate assessment participation must be marked in Infinite Campus by Dec. 1	Students identified for alternate assessment participation must be marked in Infinite Campus by Dec. 1
January			Train staff: Staff administering tests must complete training modules prior to testing -Test window opens January 28	Interim Assessment regional training: dates TBD	Student data file loaded into system for all students properly identified in Infinite Campus	
February	Winter Workshops (tentative) Feb. 19 – Pierre* Feb. 20 – Rapid City* Feb. 25 – Watertown* Feb. 26 – Sioux Falls* Feb. 27 – Sioux Falls*		Test window closes February 28	Documentation for Text-to- Speech (TTS) ELA Passages & ALL other non- embedded accommodations due to DOE: Mar. 1 Train staff: Staff training modules available	-Add Test Administrators to system -Train Staff: Test Administrators complete training modules before accessing test	Train staff: Staff training modules available Have teachers complete SDSAA Proctor Certification Course
March				ICA interims close March 7 Summative Window opens March 24	Test Window opens March 10	Summative window opens March 24
April	Letters to parents regarding testing results				Test window closes April 25	
May	Letters to parents regarding testing results		-Individual student reports available -Shared with parents and teachers	All test windows close May 2		All test windows close May 2
June & July	9			Individual student reports will be available approximately 3 weeks after testing is completed	Individual student reports will be available late July	Individual student reports will be available approximately 3 weeks after testing is completed

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

2024-2025 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
	SD English Language Arts	English Language Arts	3-8, 11	2 sessions, 1.5-2 hours each	03/24/25 to 05/02/25	Exempt 1 st year in country
General Summative Assessments ³	SD Math	Mathematics	3-8, 11	2 sessions, 1-2 hours each	03/24/25 to 05/02/25	No exemption in math
	SD Science	Science	5, 8, 11	1 session, 1-1.5 hours	03/24/25 to 05/02/25	No exemption in science
General	SD ELA-Alt (MSAA)	English Language Arts	3-8, 11	Varies	03/10/25 To 04/25/25	Exempt 1 st year in country
Summative Alternative	SD Math-Alt (MSAA)	Mathematics	3-8, 11	Varies	03/10/25 To 04/25/25	No exemption in math
Assessments	SD Science-Alt	Science	5, 8, 11	Varies	03/24/25 to 05/02/25	No exemption in science
EL Assessments ⁴	ACCESS	Four Domains: reading, speaking,	k-12	Varies	01/28/25 to 02/28/25	No exemption, Required for all EL
	ACCESS Alt	listening, writing	1-12	Varies		students

Notes

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

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

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

⁴Wired Headphones with microphone required.