



Washoe County School District

2025-2026 State & Local Testing Windows

9-12 Assessments Schedule

The **2025-2026 State & Local Testing Windows** document includes assessments required by the Nevada Department of Education (NDE) and Washoe County School District (WCSD)-sponsored assessments.

For more information, visit the WCSD website or contact WCSD Assessment Support by phone: 775.348.0248 or email: AssessmentSupport@WashoeSchools.net

*School Year Calendars > <https://www.washoeschools.net/Page/5436>

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Test dates, windows and events subject to change.

Testing Date/s	TEST/EVENT	GRADE LEVEL
August-September	24-25 Semester Finals; S2/spring 2025 make-up --District Finals: Biology (HS&MS-GT), CTE <i>Complete administration and grading within 3 weeks of starting subsequent semester</i>	HS, MS-GT
Screening for English Learner (EL) 20-Day Screening Window --Aug 11-Sep 8 (gr1-12) --Aug 18-Sep 15 (K) 10-Day Screening Window --begin Sep 9 (gr 1-12) --begin Sep 16 (K)	Screening for English Learner (EL) Services <i>During first month of school, new-to-district students screened within 20-days of enrollment, then transition to 10-day compliance window for screening new-to-district students remainder of school year</i>	K-12
Aug 11-Oct 15	Prepare: Determine alternate assessment eligibility and participation; update IEP, verify in Infinite Campus >> Alternate Assessment: Student Participation Guidance	K-12 (IEP Committee)
October 2025 (check with school for test date/s) STC >> Test Dates & Deadlines	PSAT/NMSQT , digital (online only); interested gr10 (no fee) and gr11 (\$18 fee); <i>students register with their high school (early August)</i> >> College Board SAT Suite for PSAT/NMSQT	10 & 11, optional
October 2025- March 20, 2026* (between fall break and spring break) *Test date deadline for Seal of Biliteracy	NV Seal of Biliteracy qualifying assessments * <i>Complete testing before start of spring break (March 2026) for Seal of Biliteracy consideration</i>	High School (HS)
Tentative... Oct 15-Dec 13 (window 1) Feb 2-Mar 20 (window 2) Apr 6-May 15, 2026* (window 3) *Test date deadline for Seal of Civics consideration: May 15, 2026 >>Last chance testing for 2026 diploma requirement: May 16-29	Civics Exam --online testing through SchoolCity app (WCSD) >> Civics Exam Practice Resource (USCIS) *Complete testing by 5/15/2026 for Seal of Civics consideration	12/senior HS; enrolled in Government (AG) or Economics (EC) --required for all diploma types

Testing Date/s	TEST/EVENT	GRADE LEVEL
Dec 16-19 (Balanced, TMCC) Jan 21-24 (Incline) >>No early administration	Cumulative Semester Final Assessments – fall, S1 <i>Make-up Finals: Complete within 3 weeks of starting subsequent semester</i> Reference: Administrative Procedure 6405	HS, mandatory MS, recommended
Jan 6-Feb 27 (Kindergarten) Jan 12-Feb 27 (gr1-12)	ELPA/English Language Proficiency Assessment WIDA ACCESS or Alternate ACCESS , gr K WIDA ACCESS or Alternate ACCESS , gr1-12 --October: determine Alternate ACCESS participation	K; EL (English Learner) 1-12; EL (English Learner)
Feb 19-Mar 20 Apr 13-24 (retake)	CTE WRS & End-of-Program assessments Retake WRS & End-of-Program	HS; CTE Program Completers
Feb 24 (paper, standard time) April 7 (make-up #1) April 21 (make-up #2)	NV ACT with Writing (CCR) --paper, standard time	11 (all), grade 12 as needed --students participate in ACT state testing (CCR assessment) once during high school --required for standard+ diploma; College and Career Readiness (CCR) assessment
Feb 24-27, Mar 2-6 Apr 7-10, Apr 13-17 (make-up #1) Apr 21-24, Apr 27-30, May 1 (make-up #2)	NV ACT with Writing (CCR) --paper with accommodations --online testing; standard time & accommodated	
Tentative start date... Mar 10 -May 1 (school days only)	Nevada CRT Science	5, 8, HS (gr 9 or 10)
Mar 10-May 1* (school days only) *extension by request to May 8, 2026 (administration and submit responses)	NAA ELA and Mathematics (Nevada Alternate) NAA Science (Nevada Alternate) --before OCT 15: determine alternate assessment eligibility and update IEP >> Alternate Assessment: Student Participation Guidance	3-8, 11 5, 8, 11 --grade 11 NAA participation required for alternative diploma
Apr 24, Apr 27-30, May 1 May 4-8, 11-15, 18-20 *each exam is scheduled for a specified date and time (AM or PM)	IB Exams --date-specific, HS select courses >> International Baccalaureate Assessment	HS; students enrolled in aligned courses
May 4-8, 11-15 *each exam is scheduled for a specified date and time (AM or PM)	AP Exams --date-specific, HS select courses --format varies by test, paper or digital (online) >> AP Exam Dates (detailed) >> College Board AP Central	HS; students enrolled in aligned courses
May TBD (TMCC) June TBD (Balanced, Incline) --window opens four days back from end of semester; determined by contingency days used >>No early administration	Cumulative Semester Final Assessments – spring, S2 <i>Make-up Finals: Complete within 3 weeks of starting subsequent semester</i> Reference: Administrative Procedure 6405	HS, mandatory MS, recommended
TBD: NAEP Winter 2026 (Jan 26-Mar 20) >> Information: naep.gov	NAEP (National Assessment of Educational Progress) NAEP Assessment Calendar Grades 4, 8, and 12 Mathematics and Reading Grade 8 Civics and U.S. History	Sampling of students from tested grade levels (grades 4, 8, and 12) Schools selected by National Center for Edu. Stats. (NCES)

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College Readiness Assessments

National Test Dates and Registration Information

- [ACT](#)
- [SAT](#)

9-12 Abbreviations and references

(O)= online test delivery; digital administration

(P)= paper test delivery; paper/pencil administration

AP = Advanced Placement (O/P; varies by course exam)

CCR = College and Career Readiness (O/P)

CRT = Criterion-Referenced Test (O)

CTE = Career and Technical Education (O)

ELPA = English Language Proficiency Assessment (O/P)

IB = International Baccalaureate

NAA = Nevada Alternate Assessment (P)

NAEP = National Assessment of Educational Progress (O)

PSAT = Preliminary Scholastic Aptitude Test (O); NMSQT = National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test (O)