ASSESSMENTS

IN NEW HANOVER COUNTY SCHOOLS

The New Hanover County Schools Assessment of Student Learning program contains a variety of components including formative, interim, and summative measures. Some assessments are required by the federal or state governments while others are required by the local school district.

District required assessments are typically **formative** or **interim** assessments. The information gathered from district assessments serves many purposes such as to help students identify their strengths and weaknesses in specific concepts, and enables them to target areas that need work. It also helps teachers identify areas where students are struggling and allows them to address learning gaps immediately. Data from these forms of assessment will drive teacher planning such as providing additional support or moving students to other topics if they are ready.

Federal and state required assessments are summative assessments. Summative assessments provide information about students' achievement of academic content standards following a longer period of instruction such as a unit of study, a semester of learning, or a school year. Examples of summative assessments include unit tests, final course exams developed by a teacher, and an end-of-grade or end-of-course assessment administered by the state.

END-OF-COURSE TEST ADMINISTRATION DATES

- EOCs for semester-long classes are administered during the last 5 days of the semester.
- EOCs for all year-long classes are administered during the last 10 days of the semester.
- The score from the EOCs count as 20% of the final course grade.

DISTRICT-REQUIRED ASSESSMENTS

- MasteryConnect
- NC Check-Ins
- SchoolNet
- aimswebPlus
- CogAT

DISTRICT ASSESSMENT DATES

- Administration dates for district assessments vary by grade, course, and school.
- Please check with your child's school for specific dates.

FEDERAL & STATE ASSESSMENTS

- ACCESS for ELLs
- BOG
- End of Grade
- End of Course
- Final Exams
- PreACT
- ACT
- WorkKeys
- North Carolina Early Learning Inventory (NC ELI)
- Advanced Placement Exams (AP)
- International Baccalaureate Tests (IB)

END-OF-GRADE TEST DATES

- End of Grade Tests (EOGs) in grades 3-8 are administered during the last 10 days of the school year.

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