



Fall 2024

Grade 2 CogAT and Iowa and Grade 4 CogAT Testing

Students in second grade will be administered the CogAT and Iowa assessments as part of South Carolina's Grade 2 Gifted and Talented Assessment Program in October. SC State Board Regulation 43-220 requires districts to test all enrolled students. Students in fourth grade will be administered the CogAT assessment as a part of our district's identification for the academically gifted program.

Second Grade: The Cognitive Abilities Test (CogAT) will be administered on October 8th, 9th & 10th.

The Iowa assessment will be administered on October 16th & 17th.

Fourth Grade: The Cognitive Abilities Test (CogAT) will be administered on October 16 & 17.

The CogAT assessment is a nationally standardized aptitude test which provides an estimate of the likelihood of a student's success in certain academic areas. The CogAT assessment is an untimed test, but should take approximately one and a half hours per day to administer.

The Iowa assessment is a nationally standardized test which measures students' performance in reading and mathematics. The Iowa assessment is an untimed test, but should take approximately one hour per day to administer.

Testing Tips

Students and parents can work together to make sure students are well-prepared by following these suggestions:

Students should:

- Rest on the nights before these tests.
- Eat a nourishing breakfast on the morning of each test.
- Be in school and on time, except in cases of illness.
- Listen attentively to the teacher's directions so they will know exactly what to do.
- Read each test question carefully before marking an answer choice.
- Stay calm if there are questions that seem difficult.
- Mark their best answers.
- Refrain from bringing any electronic device that can be used for communicating, timing, or imaging into the testing location.
- Reminder to bring your district device fully charged.

