

GUILFORD COUNTY SCHOOLS 2025-2026 TESTING CALENDAR EMC and ACADEMIES

Greensboro College Middle College, Early College at Guilford, Middle College at UNCG

AUGUST 2025

MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI
				1 ☒
4 ☒	5	6	7	8
11	12	13	14	15
18	19	20	21	22
25	26	27 ☒	28	29

SEPTEMBER 2025

MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI
1 ▲	2	3	4	5
8	9	10	11	12
15	16	17	18	19
22	23	24 CDM	25	26
29 CDM	30			

OCTOBER 2025

MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI
		1	2 ☐	3
6	7	8	9 Q1	10 ☐
13 ☒	14 PreACT CCRAA Gr10	15	16	17
20 PreACT CCRAA Gr10 WorkKeys Fall	21	22	23	24
27 PreACT CCRAA Gr10 WorkKeys Fall	28	29	30	31

NOVEMBER 2025

MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI
3	4 PreACT CCRAA Gr10 WorkKeys Fall	5	6	7
10 PreACT CCRAA Gr10 WorkKeys Fall	11 ▲	12 PreACT CCRAA Gr10 WorkKeys Fall	13	14
17 PreACT CCRAA Gr10 WorkKeys Fall	18	19	20	21
24 WorkKeys Fall	25	26 ☐	27 ▲	28 ▲

DECEMBER 2025

MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI
1	2	3	4	5
WorkKeys Fall				
8	9	10	11	12
15	16	17	18	19 Q2
EOC Block CDM				
22 ○	23 ○	24 ▲	25 ▲	26 ▲
29 ○	30 ○	31 ○		

JANUARY 2026

MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI
			1	2
5	6	7	8 ▲	9 ☐
12	13	14	15	16
ACCESS				
19 ▲	20 ACCESS	21	22	23
26 ACCESS	27	28	29	30

FEBRUARY 2026

MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI
2	3	4	5	6
ACCESS				
9	10	11	12	13
ACCESS				
16 ☒	17	18	19	20
WorkKeys Spring ACCESS				
23	24 ACT Test Window 1 CCRAA Gr11 Window 1	25	26	27
WorkKeys Spring ACCESS				

MARCH 2026

MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI
2	3	4	5	6
ACT Test Window 1 CCRAA Gr11 Window 1 WorkKeys Spring ACCESS				
9	10	11	12	13
○	○	○	○	○
16	17	18	19 Q3	20
ACT Test Window 2 CCRAA Gr11 Window 2 WorkKeys Spring				
23	24 ACT Test Window 3 CCRAA Gr11 Window 3	25	26	27
WorkKeys Spring				
30	31			
ACT Test Window 3 CCRAA Gr11 Window 3				

APRIL 2026

MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI
		1 ACT Test Window 3 CCRAA Gr11 Window 3	2	3
6 ☒	7	8	9	10 ▲
13	14	15	16	17
20	21	22	23	24
27	28	29	30	

MAY 2026

MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI
				1
4	5	6	7	8
11	12	13	14	15
18	19	20	21	22 Q4
EOC Block CDM				
25 ▲	26 ☒	27 ☐	28	29

JUNE 2026

MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI
1	2	3	4	5
8	9	10	11	12
15	16	17	18	19
22	23	24	25	26
29	30			

☐	Workday	☒	Mandated Workday
○	Vacation	▲	Holiday

The district's testing calendar must adhere to the North Carolina Testing Program Operational Calendar.

For a brief explanation of each test, please refer to page 2

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Test Date:	Abbreviation:	Explanation:
September 24 – 30 December 15 - 19 May 18 - 22	CDM	Credit by Demonstrated Mastery <i>A process by which Guilford County Schools, based upon a body-of-evidence, awards a student credit in a course without requiring the student to complete classroom instruction for a certain amount of seat time.</i>
October 13 – November 20	PreACT®	Preliminary ACT <i>This test simulates the ACT® testing experience on all four subjects of the ACT® Test: English, math, reading, and science. The results on this test predict future success on the ACT®. In North Carolina, students enrolled in the tenth grade, who are following a course of study that, upon graduation, will lead to admission into a college-level course of study resulting in a college degree, take the PreACT™.</i>
October 13 – November 20	CCRAA at 10	College and Career Readiness Alternate Assessment at Grade 10 <i>Available to students who have an Individual Education Program (IEP) that are following a course of study that, upon graduation, may not lead to admission into a college-level course of study resulting in a college degree. In North Carolina, the CCRAA at Grade 10 is the state-developed, alternate assessment for the PreACT™.</i>
October 20 – December 5 and February 17 – March 27	WorkKeys	The ACT WorkKeys™ <i>This test is a standardized skills assessment designed to measure career readiness. In North Carolina, seniors who are identified as Career Technical Education (CTE) concentrators take the ACT® WorkKeys.</i>
December 15 - 19 and May 18 - 22	EOC Block	End-of-Course <i>All students enrolled in Biology, English II, and/or NC Math I are expected to participate in the appropriate End-of-Course assessment.</i>
January 13 – March 13	ACCESS	ACCESS for ELLs 2.0® <i>During the annual English language proficiency testing window, all students identified as English Learner (EL) students, must be administered this test, or the Alternate ACCESS for ELLs®. In Guilford County Schools, this test is coordinated by the district’s English as a Second Language (ESL) Department.</i>
February 24 – March 6 Test Window 1 (Accom Window 1) Main March 16 – 19 Test Window 2 (Accom Window 2) Makeups March 24 – April 3 Test Window 3 (Accom Window 3) Makeups	ACT®	The ACT® Test <i>A standardized test, for high school students, administered by ACT designed to measure college readiness. In North Carolina, students enrolled in the eleventh grade, who are following a course of study that, upon graduation, will lead to admission into a college-level course of study resulting in a college degree, take The ACT® Test.</i>
February 24 – 27 (Accom Window 1) March 10 – 19 (Accom Makeup Window 2) March 24 – April 3 (Accom Makeup Window 3)	CCRAA at 11	College and Career Readiness Alternate Assessment at Grade 11 <i>Available to students who have an Individual Education Program (IEP) that are following a course of study that, upon graduation, may not lead to admission into a college-level course of study resulting in a college degree. In North Carolina, the CCRAA at Grade 11 is the state-developed, alternate assessment for The ACT®. Students approved for ACT® accommodations test during the ACT® Accommodations window.</i>