

The Classical Academy Assessments Calendar 2025-2026

Dates	Assessment (District, State, Federal)	Grade Levels / Content Assessed	Purpose of Assessment / How Results Are Used	Length of Assessment
Fall Aug. 21– 22 and Aug. 29 (K-6) Winter Dec. 5 – Dec. 12 (K-6) Spring April 30 – May 1 (K-6)	DIBELS (Dynamic Indicators of Basic Early Literacy Skills) Next/Acadience Learning Online Reading (State)	Grades K-6 Reading All students grades K-3, only students not reading on grade level for grades 4-6	Measures attainment of reading proficiency in accordance with the Colorado READ Act. The Colorado Department of Education utilizes the results for educational accountability related to the READ Act and the district utilizes results to monitor student progress and inform academic programming.	5 to 15 minutes for each session (varies by grade level and time of year)
Fall Aug. 14 – Aug. 22 Winter Jan. 7 – Jan.16 Spring April 4 – May 15	MAP (Measures of Academic Progress) Growth/NWEA (Northwest Evaluation Association) (TCA)	Grades 7 and 8 Math	Measures academic progress over time for students in Math and Reading. The district utilizes results to monitor student progress and inform academic programming.	Average time is 45 minutes per content area test, but testing time may be shorter or longer depending upon the student.
Sept. 22 – Nov 6	CogAT - Cognitive Abilities Test (TCA) CogAT Screener (TCA)	Grades 3 Verbal / Picture Analogies, Number Analogies, and Figure Matrices Grade 6 Verbal/Picture Analogies, Number Analogies and Figure Matrices	Measures reasoning and problem solving. The district utilizes the data to inform instructional decisions and determine which students are eligible for talented and gifted services.	90 minutes
Jan. 12 – Feb. 13	WIDA ACCESS for English Language Learners	Grades K-12 Listening, Reading, Speaking, and Writing	Measures student progress in English language proficiency. The Colorado Department of Education utilizes the results for educational	Kindergarten: Approximately 45 minutes total testing time.

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	(State, Federal)		accountability. The district utilizes the results in accordance with state guidelines to aid in determining English Language proficiency.	Grades 1-12: Approximately 2.5-3 hours total testing time.
Apr. 6 – Apr. 24* *Tentative Dates	CMAS - Colorado Measures of Academic Success (State, Federal)	Grades 3-8 English Language Arts and Math	Measures how students are achieving with respect to the Colorado Academic Standards for English Language Arts and Math. The Colorado Department of Education utilizes results for educational accountability. The district utilizes results to monitor student progress and inform academic programming.	Total testing time ranges from approximately 8 to 10 hours, depending upon various factors such as grade level, math assessment taken, field test items, etc.
Apr. 6 – Apr. 24* *Tentative Dates	DLM - Dynamic Learning Maps (State, Federal)	Grades 3-10 English Language Arts and Math	Measures how students with significant cognitive disabilities are achieving with respect to Math and English Language Arts Essential Elements. The Colorado Department of Education utilizes results for educational accountability. The district utilizes results to monitor student progress and inform academic programming.	There is an average of 7 testlets per content area, and each testlet is typically completed within 5-15 minutes, although some students may complete a testlet in less or more time. Students complete either one or two testlets per testing day.
Apr. 6 – Apr. 24* *Tentative Dates	CMAS - Colorado Measures of Academic Success: Science (State, Federal)	Grades 5, 8, and 11	Measures how students are achieving with respect to the Science Colorado Academic Standards. The Colorado Department of Education utilizes results for educational accountability. The district utilizes results to monitor student progress and inform academic programming.	The CMAS Science assessment contains 3 sessions. For grades 5 and 8, each session is 50-80 minutes in length. For grade 11 there are 2 sessions, each session is 60 minutes in length.
Apr. 6 – Apr. 26*	CoAlt (Colorado Alternate) Science (State, Federal)	Grades 5, 8, and 11	Measures how students with significant cognitive disabilities are achieving with respect to the Science Extended Evidence Outcomes. The Colorado Department of Education utilizes results for educational accountability. The	The CoAlt assessment is not timed, but on average, the test is completed in 30-60 minutes. Some students may complete the test in a shorter or longer

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April 6 – April 26* *Tentative dates	CMAS - Colorado Measures of Academic Success: Social Studies (State, Federal)	Grades 4 and 7. A set of representative sampled schools will be selected to administer the social studies assessments each year, such that each school should expect to administer the assessments once every three years.	Measures how students are achieving with respect to the Social Studies Colorado Academic Standards. The Colorado Department of Education utilizes results for educational accountability. The district utilizes results to monitor student progress and inform academic programming.	The CMAS Social Studies test length and time is TBD.
April 7 – April 27* *Tentative dates	CoAlt (Colorado Alternate) Social Studies (State, Federal)	Grades 4 and 7. A set of representative sampled schools will be selected to administer the social studies assessments each year, such that each school should expect to administer the assessments once every three years.	Measures how students with significant cognitive disabilities are achieving with respect to the Social Studies Extended Evidence Outcomes. The Colorado Department of Education utilizes results for educational accountability. The district utilizes results to monitor student progress and inform academic programming.	The CoAlt assessment is not timed, but on average, the test is completed in 30-60 minutes. Some students may complete the test in a shorter or longer time. Depending upon student need, the test may be administered in multiple sittings.

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Oct. 1 – Oct. 31* *Tentative dates HS only exact dates TBD Oct. 22 (CP only) Apr. 13 – Apr. 24* Mar. 7 (CP only) Apr. 17 (CP only)	NMSQT (National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test) Colorado SAT (State)	Grade 11 English Language Arts and Math	Provides students with college and career readiness information. The Colorado Department of Education utilizes results for educational accountability. The district utilizes results to monitor student progress and inform academic programming.	Approximately 3 hours
Apr. 13 – Apr. 24* Apr. 15 (CP) Apr. 13 – Apr. 24* Apr. 16 (CP) *Tentative dates HS TBD	Colorado PSAT 9 Colorado PSAT 10 (State)	Grades 9 and 10 English Language Arts and Math	Provides students with college and career readiness information. The Colorado Department of Education utilizes results for educational accountability. The district utilizes results to monitor student progress and inform academic programming.	Approximately 3 hours

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