

Douglas County School District - Assessment Calendar for the 2025-26 School

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Assessment	Grade	DCSD Dates/Windows			Time Requirement	Total/Year
Read by Grade 3 - MAP Reading (All 3 assessment windows are required).	*Kindergarten, 1st, 2nd, and 3rd grades	*September 8 - October 10, 2025	January 26-February 13, 2026	April 27 - May 29, 2026	1 hour (3 times/year)	3 hours
MAP: Reading & Math K-9; Science 6-9; 10-12 as desired	gr K-8 & 9-12	September 8 - October 10, 2025	January 26 -February 13, 2026	April 27 - May 29, 2026	1 hour each	2-3 hours
Smarter Balanced Assessment Consortium (SBAC) English Language Arts & Math	gr 3-8	March 10 - May 5, 2026			6 hours	6 hours
Science Test - Grades 5 and 8	gr 5 & 8	March 10 - May 5, 2026			2 hours	2 hours
High School Science after instruction in Life Science	gr 9 or 10	March 10 - May 5, 2026			2 hours	2 hours
College and Career Readiness Assessment in English, Mathematics, Reading, Science, and Writing (ACT+Writing)	Appropriate OYOG aligned to 11th grade	February 24, 2026 (Paper/Pencil) February 24 - 27, March 2-6 (w/accomodations or Online)		Make-up 1: April 7 April 7-10, 13-17 (w/accomodations or Online) Make-up 2: April 21 April 21-24, April 27-May 1 (w/accomodations or Online)	3 hours 50 minutes	3 hours 50 minutes
NAA: English-Language Arts & Math	gr 3-8, & 11	March 10 - May 13, 2026			varies	
NAA: Science	gr 5, 8, & 11	March 10 - May 13, 2026			varies	
WIDA: Speaking, Listening, Reading, and Writing English Language Proficiency Assessments	Kindergarten	January 5 - February 27, 2026			varies	
WIDA: Speaking, Listening, Reading, and Writing English Language Proficiency Assessments	1st-12th grades	January 12 - February 27, 2026			varies	
NAEP, TIMSS, or ICILS**	gr 4, 8, & 12	Select dates January 26, 2026 - March 20, 2026 - Schools TBD			varies	
CTE: Workplace Readiness Skills Assessment & End-of-Program Technical Skills	10-12 CTE Program Completers	February 19 - March 20, 2026		Retest: April 13 - April 2, 2026	2 hours	2 hours
Early Literacy Screener - Teaching Strategies GOLD during first 45 days, then MAP Reading	Kindergarten	August 18-August 19 (Late Enrollments August 20 - October 21, 2025)			15 minutes	15 minutes

* Kindergarten to test Winter and Spring windows ONLY. The exception would be students who enroll after the first 45 days will use MAP Reading.

** Schools and students selected by the State Department of Education. Schools will be notified once selected.