

GUILFORD COUNTY SCHOOLS

2025-2026 ELEMENTARY AND MIDDLE SCHOOLS STATE TEST CALENDAR

AUGUST 2025

MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI
				1 ☑ EY Only
4 ☑ EY Only	5 1 st Day Ext Year	6	7	8
11	12	13	14	15 N
18	19	20	21	22
BOG: Extended Year Schools				
☑	☑	☑	☑	☑
25 1 st Day Traditional	26	27	28	29

SEPTEMBER 2025

MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI
1 ▲				
8	9	10	11	12
BOG: Traditional Schools				
15	16	17	18	19
22	23	24	25	26
29	30	RtA-4		

OCTOBER 2025

MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI
		1	2	3
6	7	8	9 □	10
13	14	15	16	17 □
20	21	22	23	24
27	28	29	30	31 Q1

NOVEMBER 2025

MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI
3 ☑	4	5	6	7
10	11 ▲	12	13	14
17	18	19	20	21
24	25	26 ○	27 ▲	28 ▲

DECEMBER 2025

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 ○	31 ○		

JANUARY 2026

MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI
			1 ▲	2 □
5	6	7	8	9
12	13	14	15	16 EOC
ACCESS/ WIDA				
19 ▲	20 EOC	21	22	23 Q2
ACCESS/ WIDA				
26 ☑	27 NAEP	28	29	30
ACCESS/ WIDA				

FEBRUARY 2026

MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI
2 NAEP	3	4	5	6
ACCESS/ WIDA				
9 NAEP	10	11	12	13 ☑ EY Only
ACCESS/ WIDA				
16 ☑	17 NAEP	18	19	20
ACCESS/ WIDA				
23 NAEP	24	25	26	27
ACCESS/ WIDA				

MARCH 2026

MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI
2 NAEP	3	4	5	6
ACCESS/ WIDA				
9 NAEP	10	11	12	13
ACCESS/ WIDA				
16 NAEP	17	18	19	20
23	24	25	26	27 Q3
30 ○	31 ○			

APRIL 2026

MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI
		1 ○	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
25 ▲	26	27	28 EOG/EOC Traditional	29

JUNE 2026

MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI
1	2	3	4	5
EOG/EOC: Traditional				
RtA-3: Traditional				
EOG/EOC: Extended Year				
RtA-3: Extend Year				
8	9	10 Q4 Tr	11	12 Q4 EY
EOG/EOC: Traditional				
RtA-3: Traditional				
EOG/EOC: Extended Year				
RtA-3: Extended Year				
15 ☑ EY	16 □ EY	17	18	19
22	23	24	25	26
29	30			

☐ Workday ☑ Mandated Workday

○ Vacation ▲ Holiday

N Schools/Offices closed

WIDA Screener: Within 30 calendar days of enrollment

NCEExtend1 Window
Traditional: May 28 – June 10, 2026
Extended Year: June 1 – 12, 2026

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:
Within 30 days of Enrollment	WIDA™	WIDA Screener <i>These assessments are the state instruments for identification of English Learner (EL) students. In Guilford County Schools, these tests are coordinated by the district's English as a Second Language (ESL) Department.</i>
Extended Year: August 18-22 Traditional: September 8-12	BOG3	Beginning-of-Grade 3 English Language Arts/Reading Test <i>This test is a part of the North Carolina Read to Achieve Program.</i>
September 24-26	RtA (4th)	Read to Achieve (Grade 4 Transitional Students Only) <i>This test is a part of the North Carolina Read to Achieve Program. In the Fall, this assessment is administered to fourth grade students who have not met the third grade reading proficiency standards set forth in the Read to Achieve legislation.</i>
Fall: January 16 - 23	EOC	End-of-Course for Middle School Students in Semester Long Course <i>All students enrolled in Biology, English II, NC Math I and/or NC Math III are expected to participate in the appropriate End-of-Course assessment.</i>
January 12 – 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>
January 26 – March 20	NAEP	National Assessment of Educational Progress <i>NAEP produces the Nation's Report Card to inform the public about the academic achievement of elementary and secondary students in the United States. Assessments are most frequently conducted in mathematics, reading and science. Writing, the arts, civics, economics, geography, U.S. history and special studies such as Technology and Engineering Literacy (TEL), Trends in International Mathematics and Science Study (TIMSS) and International Computer and Information Literacy Study (ICILS) are also assessed. Randomly selected schools' 4th, 8th and 12th graders participate.</i>
Traditional: May 28 – June 10 Extended Year: June 1 – June 12	EOG	End-of-Grade Assessments for English Language Arts/Reading, Math and Science <i>All students in membership at grades 3 – 8 are expected to participate in the EOG Assessments for English Language Arts/Reading (ELA) and Math. All students in membership at grades 5 and 8 are expected to participate in the End-of-Grade Assessments for Science</i>
Traditional: May 28- June 1 Extended Year: June 1 – June 3	EOG Grade 3 ELA	3rd Grade End-of-Grade Assessments for English Language Arts/Reading <i>In order for schools to prepare for the Spring administration of the 3rd grade RtA Assessment, the EOG for ELA must be administered to third graders in the first 3 days of the testing window.</i>
Traditional: May 28 – June 10 Extended Year: June 1 – June 12	EOC	End-of-Course <i>All students enrolled in Biology, English II, NC Math I and/or NC Math III are expected to participate in the appropriate End-of-Course assessment.</i>
Traditional: May 28 – June 10 Extended Year: June 1 – June 12	EXT 1	NCEXTEND1 <i>This test is designed for students who have a significant cognitive disability as documented in the student's Individual Education Program (IEP). At grades 3 – 8 and 10, this test serves as an alternate assessment to the End-of-Grade and End-of-Course assessments. In North Carolina, at grade 11, this test serves as the state-developed, alternate assessment to The ACT® Test.</i>
Traditional: June 2– 10 Extended Year: June 4 – June 12	RtA (3rd)	Read to Achieve (Grade 3 Only) <i>This test is a part of the North Carolina Read to Achieve Program. In the Spring, this assessment is administered to third grade students who have not met the third-grade reading proficiency standards set forth in the Read to Achieve legislation.</i>