

**River Valley School District
Assessment Calendar 2025-2026**

Secondary

Assessment	Grades	Testing Window	Description
Acadience	6 - 8 (Math & Reading)	August 25 - September 19 January 5 - January 23 April 20 - May 15	Assesses core literacy and math: follow gated process (reading: grades 6-8) (math: grades 6-8).
NWEA MAP	6 - 8 (Math & Reading)	August 25 - August 28 January 26 - January 29 May 11 - May 15	A computer-adaptive assessment that measures student achievement and growth.
CDT	8 (Science)	September 2 - September 12 February 16 - February 27	Diagnostic assessment that measures students' strengths and weaknesses. Results are used to guide instruction and provide targeted support to students.
Pre-NOCTI	12	October 1 - October 17	Standardized written and performance-based assessment used to measure a student's knowledge and skills in career and technical education (CTE) programs.
Firefly	9 - 11 (Keystone Courses)	October 6 - October 17	Benchmark assessment that helps track progress and predicts performance on the State Assessment.
PSATs	10 & 11	October 22	(Practice) Aptitude test to show college readiness
ASVAB	11 & 12	November 13	Aptitude test to assess a candidate's strengths, weaknesses, and potential for future success in various military occupations.
Keystone Exams	9 - 11	December 3 -17 (ALG) January 5 - 16 (ELA & BIO)	End-of-course assessments that evaluate student proficiency (Algebra, Literature, Biology) <i>State graduation requirement.</i>
Firefly	8 (Science) & 9 - 11	February 16 - February 27	Benchmark assessment that helps track progress and predicts performance on the Keystone Course Exams.
NOCTI	12	April 1 - April 30	Standardized written and performance-based assessment used to measure a student's knowledge and skills in career and technical education (CTE) programs.
PSSA	6 - 8 ELA	April 20 - 24	Measures proficiency on grade level standards. <i>State requirement.</i>
PSSA	6 - 8 Math 8 Science	April 27 - May 1	Measures proficiency on grade level standards. <i>State requirement.</i>
PSSA Make-Ups	6 - 8	May 4 - May 8	Measures proficiency on grade level standards. <i>State requirement.</i>
Keystone Exams	7 - 11	May 11 - May 22 (<i>Spring</i>)	State graduation requirement; measures proficiency on the end of course standards. <i>State requirement.</i>

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Elementary

Assessment	Grades	Testing Window	Description
Acadience	K- 5 (Math & Reading)	August 25 - September 19 January 5 - January 23 April 20 - May 15	Assesses core literacy and math: follow gated process (reading: grades 6-8) (math: grades 6-8).
NWEA MAP	3 - 5 (Math & Reading)	August 25 - August 28 January 5 - January 16 May 11 - May 15	Computer-adaptive assessment that measures student achievement and growth.
CDT	5 (Science)	September 2 - September 12 February 16 - February 27	Diagnostic assessment that measures students' strengths and weaknesses. Results are used to guide instruction and provide targeted support to students.
PSSA	3 - 5 ELA	April 20 - 24	Measures proficiency on grade level standards. State requirement.
PSSA	3 - 5 (Math) 5 (Science)	April 27 - May 1	Measures proficiency on grade level standards. State requirement.
PSSA Make-Ups	3 - 8	May 4 - 8	Measures proficiency on grade level standards. State requirement.

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