

DISTRICT ASSESSMENT CALENDAR

2026-2027

Assessment	Testing Dates/Times	Test Format	Purpose	Results
iReady Diagnostic and RTI2 Universal Screener Grades K-8	Given in August, October, and January Subjects: Reading and Math	Computer-based, multiple-choice items. Approximately 45-60 minutes in length per subject.	The purpose of the iReady Universal Screener is to provide a data snapshot of a student's current performance in reading and math at three points during the school year and, in some cases, progress throughout the school year.	Screening results are shared with teachers and parents to inform instruction and/or support RTI2 activities. Results are not used for grades.
CASE21 Benchmark Assessment Tool Grades 3-9	Given in either fall/winter or winter/spring Subjects: ELA, Math, Science, Social Studies	Online	Case Assessment offerings include benchmarks to gauge students' progress at key points during the school year and a tightly-aligned item bank that reflects state assessment rigor. Used to gauge standards mastery and predict summative outcomes.	Screening results are shared with teachers and parents to inform instruction and/or support RTI2 activities. Results are not used for grades.
Mastery Connect Grades 2-12	Administered 3 times yearly Subjects: Math and ELA. Additional subjects can be assessed at the school's discretion.	Computer-based, computer-scored, and open response scored items. Approximately 45-60 minutes in length per subject.	Mastery Connect assessments are given to evaluate mastery of subject standards at a school district level relative to the level of mastery determined at the individual student/classroom level.	Student results are used by teachers to inform instructional decisions moving forward. Sharing scores with students to mark progress is encouraged; however, results are not used for grades.
ACT Grade 11	1 st Window: March 9-12 & 15-19 2 nd Window: March 23-26 & 29-31, April 1-2 3 rd Window: April 6-9 & 12-16 Reading, Math, English, and Science	Online and 175 minutes in length.	ACT is an achievement test that assesses students' academic readiness for college. 175 minutes in length.	Like all ACT test administration, scores at typically available online through ACT 2-4 weeks after testing. Other reporting is released soon after. Results are not used for grades.
ACT Grade 12	1 st Window: Sept 29-30 & Oct 1-2 & 5-9 2 nd Window: Oct 13-16 & 19-23 3 rd Window: Oct 27-30 & Nov 2-6 Reading, Math, English, and Science	Online and 175 minutes in length.	ACT is an achievement test that assesses students' academic readiness for college. 175 minutes in length.	Like all ACT test administration, scores at typically available online through ACT 2-4 weeks after testing. Other reporting is released soon after. Results are not used for grades.
MSAA and TCAP-Alt	TCAP-ALT ELA & Math Fall Window: Sept 14 – Dec 18 Spring Window: Feb 1 - May 21 TCAP-Alternate Science & Social Studies (Alt) Grades 3-8 & EOC Spring Window: March 15 – April 30	MSAA- Computer-based TCAP-Alt- Paper-based All multiple-choice questions	The TN state assessment for students with the most severe cognitive disabilities to measure academic achievement with modified academic standards.	Scores and other information from these assessments are shared with the school for distribution. Test results are sent home to parents in the fall semester of the following school year.
ELPA Grades K-12	Window Opens Feb 1 – March 26 Reading, Speaking, Listening, and Writing	Given online for grades K-12	Assessment that evaluates the English proficiency of English Language Learner (ELL students)	Test results will be sent home to parents in the fall semester of the following school year.
TCAP Grades 3-5	Window: April 19-May 6 Reading/Language Arts & Math	Assessments will be administered using paper and pencil. The length of test varies between 50-200 minutes total time.	TN Ready assessment are state-mandated assessments in reading, language arts, and math. These assessments provide feedback about students' progress.	Full score reports are delivered to schools in early fall and distributed to parents.
TCAP Grades 6-8	Window: April 19-May 6 ELA, math, science, and social studies	Assessments is computer based for grades 6-8.	TN Ready assessment are state-mandated assessments in reading, language arts, and math. These assessments	Full score reports are delivered to schools in early fall and distributed to parents

			provide feedback about students' progress.	
TCAP Grades 9-12	Spring Window: April 19-May 6 Fall Window: Nov 30 - Dec 17 ELA, math, US History, and biology	Given online. Time varies by course between 75-230 minutes total time.	TCAP End of Course (EOC) assessments are state-mandated, computer-based assessments.	Quick scores used for grades will be available before the release of report cards. Full reporting will be available in the summer through the state's TCAP Family Portal. Scores are used as 15% of the spring semester final average.
Advanced Placement (AP) Grades 9-12	Window: College Board schedules AP exams over two weeks in May. Dates for 2027 are not yet posted. The optional AP exams are given with corresponding AP courses.	Computer-based. Time varies by exam, typically between 180-240 minutes total time.	The optional AP exams are final exams for the corresponding college-level courses taken in high school. Scores can be used to award credit or determine placement upon entering college.	Scores and other information become available online through College Board starting in July. Results are not used for grades.
Spring Semester Exams (Finals) Grades 7-12 (course specific)	Window: May 17- May 20 Varies by course	Computer-based, paper-based, or project-based. Time varies by exam, typically between 180-240 minutes total time.	Final exams are teacher-constructed assessments and administered according to the school's specific semester exam schedule.	Scores are available in PowerSchool. Results are used as 15% of the fall final semester average for high school courses.
Fall Semester Exams (Finals) Grades 9-12 (course specific)	December 14-December 17 Varies by course	Computer-based, paper-based, or project-based. Time varies by exam, typically between 180-240 minutes total time.	Final exams are teacher-constructed assessments and administered according to the school's specific semester exam schedule.	Scores are available in PowerSchool. Results are used as 15% of the fall final semester average for high school courses.
State Dual Credit (SDC) Grades 9-12	Fall Window: TBD Spring Window: TBD	Computer-based, paper-based, or project-based. Time varies by exam, typically between 180-240 minutes total time.		