

GUILFORD COUNTY SCHOOLS

2026-2027 EDUCATION CENTERS STATE TESTING CALENDAR

AUGUST 2026

MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI
3	4	5	6	7
10	11	12	13	14
17	18	19	20	21
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24 1 st Day Traditional	25	26	27	28
31				

SEPTEMBER 2026

MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI
	1	2	3	4
7	8	9	10	11
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14	15	16	17	18
21	22	23	24	25
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28	29	30		

OCTOBER 2026

MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI
			1	2
5	6	7	8	9
12	13	14	15	16
19	20	21	22	23
26	27	28	29	30
			Q1	☐

NOVEMBER 2026

MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI
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DECEMBER 2026

MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI
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14	15	16	17	18
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28	29	30	31	
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JANUARY 2027

MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI
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11	12	13	14	15
18	19	20	21	22
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25	26	27	28	29
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FEBRUARY 2027

MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI
1	2	3	4	5
8	9	10	11	12
15	16	17	18	19
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22	23	24	25	26
	NCEExtend 1 Grade 11 Window 1			

MARCH 2027

MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI
1	2	3	4	5
	NCEExtend 1 Grade 11 Window 1			
8	9	10	11	12
	NCEExtend 1 Grade 11 Window 2			
15	16	17	18	19
	NCEExtend 1 Grade 11 Window 2			
22	23	24	25	26
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29	30	31		

APRIL 2027

MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI
			1	2
				Q3
5	6	7	8	9
☒	NCEExtend 1 Grade 11 Window 3			
12	13	14	15	16
	NCEExtend 1 Grade 11 Window 3			
19	20	21	22	23
26	27	28	29	30

MAY 2027

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
			NCEExt 1 Grs 3-8, 10	
31				
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JUNE 2027

MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI
	1	2	3	4
	NCEExtend 1 Grades 3-8, 10			
7	8	9	10	11
	NCEExtend 1 Grades 3-8, 10			
14	15	16	17	18
21	22	23	24	25
28	29			
			Q4	☒

☐ Workday ☒ Mandated Workday
○ Vacation ▲ Holiday

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:
February 23 – 26 and March 1 - March 5 (Accom Window 1) March 9 – 12 and March 15 - 19 (Accom Makeup Window 2) April 6 – 9 and April 12 – 16 (Accom Makeup Window 3)	NCEXTEND 1 at Grade 11	NCEXTEND1 at Grade 11 <i>Available to students who have an Individual Education Program (IEP) that are following a course of study that, upon graduation, may not lead to admission into a college-level course of study resulting in a college degree. In North Carolina, the NCExtend 1 Grade 11 serves as the state-developed ACT alternate assessment for students who have a significant cognitive disability as documented in the student's IEP.</i>
May 27 – June 10	NCEXTEND 1 at Grades 3-8, 10	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>