

Interim Assessments provide information about student learning at the standard level of the NCSCoS and assess students' understanding of content for which they have already received instruction based on GCS scope and sequencing. Schools should administer Interim Assessments after instruction of the target standards in the identified units is complete. Interim Assessment results should be used formatively to support instruction.

2026-27 Interim Assessment Calendar—Traditional Elementary Schools

ELA Interim Assessment Standards Note:

Please note that ELA standards are not taught in isolation. While each of the ELA standards that appear on the Interim Assessments may not be explicitly listed as focus standards on the GCS Scope and Sequence documents, they are embedded in the daily lessons.

ELA	Interim Assessment 1	Interim Assessment 2	Interim Assessment 3
3rd ELA	October 27-November 13 Units 1-3 Literary and Informational Texts	January 7-27 Units 4-5 Informational Texts	March 31-April 16 Units 6 & 8 Literary Texts
	RL.1, RL.2, RL.3, RI.1, RI.2, RI.3, L.4	RI.1, RI.2, RI.3, RI.4, RI.8, L.4	RL.1, RL.2, RL.3, RL.4, L.4, L.5a
4th ELA	November 9-24 Units 1-2 Informational Texts	December 15-January 20 Unit 3 Literary Texts	March 31-April 16 Units 4-6 Literary and Informational Texts
	RI.1, RI.2, RI.3, RI.4, RI.5, L.4	RL.1, RL.2, RL.3, RL.4, L.4, L.5a	RL.1, RL.2, RL.3, RI.1, RI.2, RI.3, RI.8, L.4
5th ELA	October 15-November 6 Units 1-2 Informational Texts	December 15-January 20 Units 3-4 Literary Texts	March 31-April 16 Units 5-7 Literary and Informational Texts
	RI.1, RI.2, RI.3, RI.4, L.4, L.5a	RL.1, RL.2, RL.3, RL.4, RL.6, L.4, L.5a	RL.1, RL.2, RL.3, RI.1, RI.2, RI.3, RI.8, L.4

Science	Interim Assessment 1	Interim Assessment 2	Interim Assessment 3
5th Science	October 8-27 Unit 2	December 14-January 13 Units 3-4	March 15-April 7 Units 5-6
	PS.5.1.1–5.1.3	ESS.5.1 LS.5.1.1-5.1.2	LS.5.3.1-5.3.2 LS.5.2.1-5.2.3