30-Day Notice for Oregon's Statewide Assessment of English Language Arts and Mathematics

FOSTERING EQUITY AND EXCELLENCE FOR EVERY LEARNER

Oregon is committed to preparing every learner with academic knowledge and skills necessary for success beyond high school. Oregon's statewide summative assessment of English Language Arts (ELA) and Mathematics is fully aligned to Oregon's State Standards and provide students in grades 3-8 and 11, along with their families, one measure of academic achievement and growth.

OREGON'S STATEWIDE TESTS…

- **…are created by educators in Oregon** and across several other states
- **…challenge your child to think critically** and apply their knowledge across a variety of contexts
- **…go beyond multiple choice** and ask your child to explain their answers
- **…act as a snapshot of your child's progress** that may be considered along with other pieces of information to determine your child's academic success
- **…help schools and districts** evaluate their systems of teaching and learning, as well as identify groups of students whose academic needs may not be adequately met
- **…help communities** understand how well their public schools are performing

How long will it take my child to complete Oregon's statewide summative tests?
Most students complete their ELA test in 1.5 to 3 hours and their Mathematics test in 1 to 1.5 hours. Because there is no time limit on Oregon's statewide summative tests, your child can take as long as they need to fully demonstrate what they know and can do.

What do the results mean and where do I get my child's results?
Test results identify your child's strengths and areas for improvement in English Language Arts and Math. Each subject will be broken into categories and will show how well your child performed in each area. The tests measure student learning on a scale that allows for comparisons across time. The Oregon Department of Education has set four achievement levels along this scale that generally describe student academic performance. Your child's school will share your child's scores with you at the end of the current school year or the beginning of the next to help support your child's success as they move from grade to grade.

Why does my child's participation matter?
While no single test can give a complete picture of your child's progress, having your child take the statewide summative tests provides educators and administrators with one source of information about what educational approaches are working and where additional resources may be needed. Your child's participation is important to ensure schools and districts receive the targeted resources they need to help all students succeed.

When will my child take the test?
Your child's school will determine the specific dates your child takes the tests within the statewide testing window. The statewide testing windows for English Language Arts and Mathematics apply to the general and alternate statewide summative tests.

Grades 3-8	Grade 11
03/30/2027 — 06/11/2027	02/02/2027 — 06/11/2027

STAY INFORMED

Visit Oregon's Starting Smarter webpage (https://or.startingsmarter.org) to learn more about what your child should know and be able to do in English Language Arts and Math, to view sample test questions, and to read more about your child's test results. Contact your child's teacher or school principal with questions.

Annual OSAS Opt-Out Form (2026-27)

DESCRIPTION OF RIGHTS

Oregon law (ORS 329.479) permits parents/guardians and adult students* to annually opt out of Oregon's statewide summative tests in *English Language Arts (ELA) and/or Mathematics* by submitting this form to the school the student attends. The school shall provide any student who is excused from a statewide ELA or mathematics test with supervised study time while other students are testing.

To opt-out of OSAS statewide summative tests in English Language Arts (ELA) and/or Mathematics, this section must be completed by the parent/guardian or adult student:

Student's Legal Last Name: _____

Student's Legal First Name: _____

Student's Enrolled Grade: _____

Student's School: _____

Please indicate the OSAS statewide summative tests you are opting out of:

- ❑ English Language Arts
- ❑ Math

To help your child's school efficiently plan for the administration of tests, **please submit this form to your child's school at least a week prior to the first day of testing.** For students who enroll after the statewide testing window begins, you are encouraged to submit the form within 2 weeks of enrollment. **This form is only valid for the current school year**.

I understand that by signing this form I am opting my child out of OSAS statewide summative tests indicated above for the current academic year only.

Parent/Guardian Signature**: _____ Date: _____

Parent/Guardian Printed Name**: _____

This form may be submitted any time prior to the close of the test window. If the student has already tested, the test will be invalidated; their test data will be removed from state data systems; and they will count as a non-participant for this year's testing. Requests submitted after the final day of the test window cannot be honored.

*Adult students (age 18 and older) may sign on their own behalf and do not require a signature by a parent or guardian.
**Typing your name into the signature box in the digital form indicates your official signature.