



Assessments Overview - 2020 and Beyond

	2020-2021 School Year	
	Required	Optional
AzM2*/^/**	Grades 3-8 and 10 (Cohort 2023) Computer-Based Test Window: April 5 – 30, 2021 (Writing must be completed by April 16) Paper-Based Test Window: April 5 – 14, 2021 (Writing must be scheduled for April 5 or 6)	
AzSCI	Census Field Test for Grades 5, 8, and 11 (Cohort 2022) Aligned to the 2018 Arizona Science Standards Computer-Based Test Window: March 22 – April 30, 2021	
ACT****		Menu of Assessments Fall 2020 – Grade 12 (Cohort 2021) Test Dates: September 22, October 6, October 20, 2020 Spring 2021 – Grade 11 (Cohort 2022) Test Dates: March 2 and April 6, 2021
SAT****		Menu of Assessments Spring 2021 – Grade 11 (Cohort 2022) Test Dates: March 3 and March 24, 2021
AZELLA Placement**/**	KPT & Stages II – V Assessment Aligned to the 2010 ELP Standards Test Window: Two weeks before the start of school through May 14, 2021	
AZELLA Reassessment**/**	Stages I – V Reassessment Aligned to the 2010 ELP Standards Test Window: February 1 – March 19, 2021 Stand-Alone Field Test - New Design aligned to the 2019 ELP Standards and New Grade Configuration K, 1 st , 2-3, 4-5, 6-8, and 9-12 Test Window: February 1 – April 2, 2021	
MSAA ELA and Mathematics*/^^	Grades 3-8 and 11 Test Window: March 15 – April 30, 2021	
Science Alternate Assessment (SAA)	Census Field Test for Grades 5, 8, and 11 Aligned to the 2018 Arizona Science Standards Test Window: March 15 – April 30, 2021	
NAEP	Selected School Sample Digital Only; Reading and Math Grades 4 and 8 Test Window: January 25 – March 19, 2021	

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^Used in Federal Accountability – Growth (K-8)

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Arizona Academic Standards Assessment (AASA)*/^/**	Grades 3-8	
ACT*/^^	Grade 11 (Cohort 2023)	
AzSCI****	Grades 5, 8, and 11 (Cohort 2023) Aligned to the 2018 Arizona Science Standards	
Grade 9 Assessment (ACT Aspire)	Grade 9 (Cohort 2025)	
SAT*/^^		Menu of Assessments Grade 11 (Cohort 2023) SAT may be selected from the Menu of Assessments in lieu of ACT
Grade 9 Assessment (PSAT)		Menu of Assessments Grade 9 (Cohort 2025) PSAT may be selected from the Menu of Assessments in lieu of ACT Aspire
AZELLA Placement**/**	KPT & Stages II – V Assessment Aligned to the 2010 ELP Standards	
AZELLA Reassessment**/**	New Test Design Aligned to the 2019 ELP Standards and New Grade Configuration K, 1 st , 2-3, 4-5, 6-8, and 9-12	
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NOTE: The asterisk distinctions are subject to change based on State Board determinations regarding the State Accountability System

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