2023-2024 Arizona's Science Test (AzSCI)

Test Window: March 18 – April 12, 2024

AzSCI – Grades 5, 8, and 11 / Cohort 2025 – Overview

- ✓ Science content aligned to the 2018 Arizona Science Standards (Core Ideas, Science & Engineering Practices, and Crosscutting Concepts)
- Based on grade bands: Students in Grade 5 will be assessed on standards from Grades 3-5. Students in Grade 8 will be assessed on standards from Grades 6-8.
- ✓ Students in Cohort 2025 will be assessed on high school Essential Standards in physical science, earth and space science, and life science
- ✓ AzSCI test units are untimed.
- ✓ Three test units, estimated 60-90 minutes each

- ✓ Calculator Grade 5: <u>Desmos Four-Function</u>
- ✓ Calculator Grades 8 and 11: <u>Desmos Scientific</u>
- ✓ AzSCI is an online test only. Any paper tests administered are "Special Paper Version" tests, requiring the student responses to be key-entered in TestNav by a trained Test Administrator by the end of the test window.
- ✓ Cohort 2025 students will take AzSCI regardless of actual grade level or the Science courses they have completed or are enrolled in.
- ✓ Cohort 2025 students will also take ACT in Spring 2024, which includes a Science subtest in addition to the English, Reading, Math, and Writing subtests.

Accessibility

- Arizona Accommodations Manual (revised August 2022): https://www.azed.gov/assessment/accessibility
- ✓ Special Paper Version tests available Braille, large print, and regular print
- ✓ American Sign Language (ASL) test forms are available.

 Submit requests for Special Paper Version tests, ASL tests, and Additional Accommodations September 5, 2023 – February 23, 2024. Submission request forms and request process quick guides will be published at https://www.azed.gov/assessment/sci.

Resources

✓ Sample Tests, including for ASL: <u>https://home.testnav.com/</u>; Login is not required. Select "Arizona," then select "Mic Check & Sample Tests."

✓ Blueprints, Item Specifications, and Performance Level Descriptors: <u>https://www.azed.gov/assessment/resources</u>

