ASSESSMENTS

Detailed Testing Calendar for the 2023-2024 School Year

ACHIEVEMENT ASSESSMENTS

AASA (Arizona's Academic Standards Assessment)
Statewide Assessment for ELA and Math
Grades 3-8

AASA Computer-Based Testing (including Special Paper Version* tests in Computer-Based Testing schools)				
Content Area	**Grade(s)**	**Number of Test Units**	**Estimated Times**	**Test Window**
ELA Writing	Grades 3-8	1	60-90 minutes	April 1-April 12, 2024
ELA Reading	Grades 3-8	2	45-75 minutes each	April 1-April 26, 2024
ELA Oral Reading Fluency (ORF)	Grade 3	1	30 minutes	April 1-April 26, 2024
Math	Grades 3-8	2	60-85 minutes each	April 1-April 26, 2024

*Special Paper Version test responses from Braille, large print, or regular print tests in Computer-Based Testing schools must be entered in TestNav by the Test Administrator according to the schedule above. Requests for Special Paper Version tests must be submitted to ADE for review and approval.

AASA Paper-Based Testing (including Special Paper Version tests* in Paper-Based Testing schools)				
Content Area	**Grade(s)**	**Number of Test Units**	**Estimated Times**	**Test Window**
ELA Writing**	Grades 3-8	1	60-90 minutes	April 1-April 10, 2024
ELA Reading	Grades 3-8	2	45-75 minutes each	April 1-April 10, 2024
ELA Oral Reading Fluency (ORF)***	Grade 3	1	30 minutes	April 1-April 10, 2024
Math	Grades 3-8	2	60-85 minutes each	April 1-April 10, 2024

*Special Paper Version test responses from Braille or large print tests in Paper-Based Testing schools must be entered in TestNav by the Test Administrator according to the schedule above. Requests for Special Paper Version tests must be submitted to ADE for review and approval.

**Writing should be administered first and should be scheduled for April 1 or 2, 2024.

***New in Spring 2024, all Paper-Based Testing schools will administer the ORF test unit online in TestNav in small groups of up to 6 students.

Additional Guidance for AASA

- AASA Writing, Reading, and Math test units are untimed.
- ELA includes one writing and two reading test units. Students must receive a valid score on each ELA test unit in order to receive an ELA score.
- Math includes two test units. Students must receive a valid score on both Math test units in order to receive a Math score.
- Grade 3 students will also take an ELA Oral Reading Fluency (ORF) test, which is a timed test unit. A decision has been made to gather additional information from the Spring 2024 test administration. The ORF test unit will not be included in the student's ELA score, nor will there be any changes to the Move on When Reading (MOWR) indicator for the 2023-2024 school year.
- Writing must be administered first and must be administered on a separate test day than Reading and Math test units.
- Reading and Math test units can be administered in any order, but no more than two test units plus the Oral Reading Fluency unit can be administered on a single day.
- When two test units are administered in a single day, a significant break must be given between test units. Test units must be completed on the day the unit is begun. **Do not start the test unit unless there is sufficient time to complete the testing session.**
- Once a test unit is begun, students may not take a break for lunch. During the test unit, students may only leave the room for a restroom break, visit to the nurse's office, or for emergency purposes.

AzSCI – Statewide Assessment for Science
Grades 5, 8, and 11th grade Cohort

AzSCI Computer-Based Testing **(including Special Paper Version* tests)**				
Content Area	**Grade(s)**	**Number of Test Units**	**Estimated Times**	**Test Window**
Science	Grades 5, 8, and Cohort 2025 (11th grade)	3	60-90 minutes each	March 18-April 12, 2024

*Special Paper Version test responses from Braille, large print, or regular print tests must be entered in TestNav by the Test Administrator according to the schedule above. Requests for Special Paper Version tests must be submitted to ADE for review and approval.

Additional Guidance for AzSCI

- AzSCI test units are untimed.
- All AzSCI paper tests are administered as Special Paper Version tests and require that all student responses be entered in TestNav by the Test Administrator prior to the end of the AzSCI test window.
- High school students in the 11th grade cohort (Cohort 2025) will participate in AzSCI testing regardless of actual grade level or courses completed or enrolled in.
- When two or more test units are administered in a single day, a significant break must be given between test units. Test units must be completed on the day the unit is begun. **Do not start the test unit unless there is sufficient time to complete the testing session.**
- Once a test unit is begun, students may not take a break for lunch. During the test unit, students may only leave the room for a restroom break, visit to the nurse's office, or for emergency purposes.

ACHIEVEMENT ASSESSMENTS (cont.)

ACT Aspire – Statewide High School Assessment
9th Grade Cohort

ACT Aspire		
Grade	**Computer-Based Test Window**	**Paper-Based Test Window**
9th Grade Cohort (Cohort 2027)	April 1-April 26, 2024	April 1-April 10, 2024

ACT Aspire Content Sections and Allotted Times (in minutes)				
English	**Math**	**Reading**	**Science**	**Writing**
45	75	65	60	40

Additional Guidance for ACT Aspire

- ACT Aspire test sections are timed. Allotted times shown above are for standard-time testing.
- ACT Aspire test sections may be administered in any order.
- ACT Aspire testing may be completed all in one day or test units may be administered on different days. Each test unit must be completed on the day it is started within the allotted time.
- High school students in the 9th grade cohort (Cohort 2027) will participate in ACT Aspire testing regardless of actual grade level or courses completed or enrolled in.
- All ACT Aspire Special Paper Version tests (Braille, large print, or regular print) must be administered according to the Paper-Based Testing window, including those administered in Computer-Based Testing schools.
- Special Paper Version test responses from Braille or large print tests must be transferred to a regular answer document by the Test Administrator and returned to ACT at the end of the Paper-Based Testing window. Requests for Special Paper Version tests must be submitted to ADE for review and approval.

ACT – Statewide High School Assessment
11th Grade Cohort

ACT		
Grade	**Test Window 1**	**Test Window 2**
11th Grade Cohort (Cohort 2025)	**Paper (Standard):** March 26, 2024 **Paper (Accommodations):** March 26-29 & April 1-5, 2024 **Online:** March 26-29 & April 1-5, 2024	**Paper (Standard):** April 9, 2024 **Paper (Accommodations):** April 9-12 & April 15-19, 2024 **Online:** April 9-12 & April 15-19, 2024

Schools may utilize both ACT test windows in order to assess all Cohort 2025 students. Schools are encouraged to administer ACT during the first test window and may also use the second test window, as needed, to complete any makeup testing. Any schools that choose to administer ACT during only the second test window will not have an additional ACT test window to use for makeup testing.

Schools administering ACT online may use any of the online test days to complete testing. Schools administering ACT on paper may only administer paper tests on the designated paper test dates but may use the additional online test dates for makeup testing.

Test Coordinators will select the ACT test window **for each school** in the district or charter in ACT's PearsonAccess^next system in November 2023.

ACT Content Sections and Allotted Times (in minutes)				
Test 1: English	**Test 2: Math**	**Test 3: Reading**	**Test 4: Science**	**Test 5: Writing**
45	60	35	35	40

Additional Guidance for ACT

- ACT test sections are timed. Allotted times shown above are for standard-time testing. Extended-time accommodations must be approved by ACT.
- ACT test sections must be administered in one day unless a student has an ACT-approved accommodation for testing over multiple days.
- ACT test sections must be administered in the following order: Test 1 – **English** (first), Test 2 – **Math** (second), Test 3 – **Reading** (third), Test 4 – **Science** (fourth), and Test 5 – **Writing** (last).
- High school students in the 11th grade cohort (Cohort 2025) will participate in ACT testing regardless of actual grade level or courses completed or enrolled in.
- Please note that the ACT test windows are two distinct test windows. Any students with approved accommodations for testing over multiple days must complete testing within the same test window in which they begin testing.

ENGLISH LANGUAGE PROFICIENCY ASSESSMENT

AZELLA

School Year 2023-2024 Placement Test Window	Spring 2024 Reassessment Test Window
Two weeks before the first instructional day of school through May 10, 2024	January 29 – March 15, 2024

Alt ELPA

Test Window	Grade Levels Tested
January 30 – March 15, 2024	Eligible students in Grades K-12

ALTERNATE ASSESSMENTS

MSAA (Multi-State Alternate Assessment)

Content Area(s)	Test Window	Grade Levels Tested
ELA, Math, and Science	March 11 – April 26, 2024	Eligible students in Grades 3-8 and 11
Science	March 11 – April 26, 2024	Eligible students in Grades 5, 8, and 11

NATIONAL ASSESSMENT

NAEP (National Assessment of Educational Progress)

Content Area(s)	Testing Window	Grade Levels Tested
NAEP Math, Reading, and Science	January 29 – March 8, 2024	Grades 4, 8, and 12 (Selected schools will be notified)
Additional international assessments in Spring 2024 – LEAs will be notified.		