Wisconsin Statewide Assessment System

Forward Exam

Students take the Forward Exam online in English Language Arts (ELA) and Mathematics in grades 3-8, in Science in grades 4 and 8, and Social Studies in grades 4, 8, and 10.

March 17 - April 25, 2025

PreACT Secure

The PreACT Secure is a summative assessment, aligned to The ACT with writing test and the ACT College and Career Readiness Standards, that measures what students have learned in the areas of English, Reading, Mathematics, and Science in grades 9 and 10.

March 17 - April 25, 2025

The ACT® with writing

The ACT with writing is administered to students in grade 11 and consists of four multiple-choice tests: English, Mathematics, Reading, and Science, and a 40-minute essay test that measures writing skills. The ACT can be used for college enrollment, scholarships, and NCAA eligibility requirements.

March 11-21, 2025 - Test Window 1*

March 11 - The ACT with writing Test Window 1 - Paper Administration

March 11-14 & 17-21 – The ACT with writing Test Window 1 – Paper Administration for students testing with Accommodations

March 11-14 & 17-21 - The ACT with writing Test Window 1 - Online Administration/Online Accommodations

*Dates for ACT Test Windows 2 and 3 are available on the ACT Calendar webpage.

Dynamic Learning Maps (DLM)

DLM assesses the academic progress of students with the most significant cognitive disabilities. It is administered online in grades 3-11 for English Language Arts and Mathematics, grades 4 and 8-11 for Science, and grades 4, 8, and 10 for Social Studies.

March 17 - April 25, 2025



Additional Statewide Assessments

ACCESS for ELLs®

ACCESS for ELLs is an online assessment system that measures the English language proficiency (ELP) of English learners (ELs) in Grades K-12. This assessment allows educators, students, and families to monitor students' progress in acquiring academic English in the domains of Speaking, Listening, Reading, and Writing.

December 2, 2024 - January 31, 2025

Alternate ACCESS for ELLs™

The Alternate ACCESS for ELLs is an English language proficiency (ELP) assessment. It is administered in the four language domains of Listening, Reading, Speaking, and Writing for students in grades 1-12 identified as English Learners (Els) who have significant cognitive disabilities.

December 2, 2024 - January 31, 2025

National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP)

NAEP is also known as the Nation's Report Card and is used to compare student performance between states and over time. Each year different schools and students are sampled to participate in this test, which includes grades 4 and 8 Reading and Mathematics. Grade 12 testing and additional subject areas are also often included. In addition, Long-Term Trend assessments in Reading and Mathematics are age-based (ages 9, 13, and 17).

October 7 - December 13, 2024

NAEP Long-Term Trend - Age 13, Reading and Mathematics (selected schools only)

January 6 - March 14, 2025

NAEP Long-Term Trend - Age 9, Reading and Mathematics (selected schools only)

January 27 - March 7, 2025

NAEP Field Test - Grades 4, 8, and 12, Reading and Mathematics (selected schools only)

March 17 - May 25, 2025

NAEP Long-Term Trend - Age 17, Reading and Mathematics (selected schools only)

