



2023-2024 Assessment Calendar

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2023-24 calendar for Seattle Public Schools student assessments. Includes grade level, name of assessment, timeframe for administering each assessment, and a description of each assessment.

This information can also be accessed on the Seattle Public Schools website:
<https://www.seattleschools.org/departments/assessments/assessment-calendar/>



School Year 2023-24 Assessment Calendar and Information

Grade(s)	Assessment	Administration Window Timeframe (s)
PreK-12	WIDA and WIDA Alternative Access Suite of Assessments	<p><i>Applicable to Multilingual Students</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Screeners are administered within 4 weeks of a student enrolling into the Seattle Public Schools Annual Assessment: January 29-March 22, 2024
<p>WIDA and WIDA Alternative Access is a required, annually, for qualified multilingual learner students, students in the State Transitional Bilingual Education Program and MLL waived students.</p> <p>Participation in WIDA Alternate Access is for eligible students receiving special education and ELL services. Participation is an IEP team decision as outlined in WAC 392-172A-03090 through 03110. Additional information on student participation available here.</p>		
PreK	Teaching Strategies Gold	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Complete by November 15, 2023 Complete by February 15, 2024 Complete by June 15, 2024
<p>Teaching Strategies Gold (TSG) is formative assessment to capture child development through authentic observations in the classroom and home.</p>		
Kindergarten	WaKIDS	Complete by November 15, 2023
<p>The Washington Kindergarten Inventory of Developing Skills (WaKIDS) is a transition process that helps to ensure a successful start to the K-12 experience and connect the key adults in a child's life.</p> <p>WaKIDS provides a snapshot of where Washington's kindergartners are in their development, early in the school year.</p> <p>Framework</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Family Connection Observational Assessment Connection PreK Community 		
K-2	DIBELS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> September 25-October 6, 2023 (1st and 2nd grade only) January 10-January 26, 2024 May 13-24, 2024
<p>DIBELS is the universal literacy screener selected by Seattle Public Schools to meet Washington's Early Screening of Dyslexia Law to elevate strong early literacy development. Universal screeners are proactive in helping teachers identify the needs and strengths of their students. Screeners are an essential component of a high-functioning Multi-Tiered System of Support. The ultimate goal is to support all students in accessing grade level content.</p>		



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K-5	MAP Reading and Math	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> October 4-25, 2023 (1-8 grade only) January 22-February 9, 2024 (kindergarten only) May 22-June 14, 2024
6-8	MAP Math	
<p>The Measures of Academic Progress (MAP) assessment measures a student’s developing skills through a series of questions that adapt to the child’s level of learning. The MAP assessment helps teachers measure individual student growth and assist the district with understanding student development and progress toward system wide goals.</p>		
3-8, 10	Smarter Balance Assessment	March 4-June 7, 2024
<p>Smarter Balance Assessments is the state summative assessment in English Language Arts/Literacy and Math. The tests fulfill the federal requirement that students be tested in English Language Arts and Math. This is a graduation pathway for Washington State Students. Additional information can be found on the Seattle Public Schools Website.</p>		
3-8, 10	WA-AIM	January 29-May 3, 2024
<p>The Washington Access to Instruction & Measurement (WA-AIM) is an alternate assessment based on alternate achievement standards aligned to the Common Core State Standards for students with significant cognitive disabilities. The Science WA-AIM will continue to be administered in grade 11.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The WA-AIM will measure student knowledge and skills through the use of twice annual administered performance tasks. The WA-AIM is used for federal and state accountability in grades 3-8 and 10 for English Language Arts and Math and can be used to meet a student’s graduation pathway requirement. 		
5, 8, 11	Washington Comprehensive Assessment of Science (WCAS)	April 8-June 7, 2024
<p>The Washington Comprehensive Assessment of Science (WCAS) measures the level of proficiency that Washington students have achieved based on the Washington State 2013 K-12 Science Learning Standards, which are the Next Generation Science Standards (NGSS). All students are assessed on their knowledge of the standards through the WCAS in grades 5, 8, and 11. The tests fulfill the federal requirement that students be tested in science once at each level: elementary, middle, and high school.</p>		
11	School-Day PSAT/NMSQT	October 16-31, 2023
12	School-Day SAT	October 11, 2023
<p>PSAT NMSQT The PSAT/NMSTQ provides valuable feedback on strengths and skills necessary for college study and helps prepare students for the SAT. PSAT/NMSTQ is also an opportunity for students to qualify for the National Merit Scholarship Program and other scholarships. The SAT is the most widely used college admissions test in the country. SAT scores are one tool used to demonstrate college and career readiness and can fulfill state graduation pathways with a minimum cut score.</p>		
10-12	Advanced Placement (AP) Exams	May 6-17, 2024
<p>AP Exams are available to all students enrolled in AP courses. Each course culminates in a standardized college-level assessment, or AP Exam. Many U.S. colleges offer credit for AP Exam scores of 3 or higher. This is a graduation pathway for Washington State Students. For more information visit: College Board AP Exams.</p>		