

Assessment
Transparency Guide
School Year 2022-23

Name of Assessment	Subject Matter Assessed	Grades Administered	Purpose for how it is designed and used	Source of Requirement	Approximate time Spent/ When Administered	Dates Administered (approximate)	Reporting Results
Smarter Balanced Assessment	Mathematics, ELA	3-8, 11	State required summative assessment measuring English Language Arts and Math achievement.	SD DOE	Estimated testing time: ELA 3-4 hours Math 2-4 hours	March 1 — May 5, 2023	Mailed to parents in the spring.
South Dakota ELA & Math Alternate Assessments	Mathematics, ELA	3-8, 11	State required summative assessment measuring English Language Arts and Math achievement for students with most severe cognitive disabilities	SD DOE	Testing times vary greatly between testing participants.	March 13 — April 28, 2023	Mailed to parents once available.
South Dakota Science Assessment	Science	5, 8, 11	State required summative assessment measuring science achievement.	SD DOE	Estimated testing time: 1.5-3 hours	March 1 — May 5, 2023	Mailed to parents once available.
South Dakota Science Alternative Assessment	Science	5, 8, 11	State required summative assessment measuring science Achievement for students with most severe cognitive disabilities.	SD DOE	Testing times vary greatly between testing participants.	March 1 — May 5, 2023	Mailed to parents once available.
National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP)	Reading, Math, (every other year – chosen by random)	4, 8 & 12	NAEP was first administered in 1969 to measure student achievement nationally. In 1990, NAEP was administered at the state level for the first time. Students in grades 4 and 8 are currently assessed at the national and state levels in mathematics and reading every two years and in other subjects periodically.	SD DOE	Testing times vary greatly between testing participants.	No required assessments in 2022-23	Data only reported at state level. No individual student data collected.
WIDA EL Screening Assessments	Reading, Writing, Speaking, Listening	K-12	When identified students enter the district to determine eligibility for English Language (EL) services	SD DOE	Estimated testing time: 1.5 hours	Upon arrival to district	Mailed to parents with letter regarding eligibility for services
ACCESS & ACCESS Alternative (for EL students)	English Language Proficiency	K-12	Used to assess English Language Proficiency and continued eligibility for English Language (EL) services	SD DOE	Testing times vary greatly between testing participants.	January 23 — February 24, 2023	Mailed to parents
NCRC	Applied Mathematics, Locating Information, Reading for Information	11	National Career Readiness Certificate (NCRC) program is an industry-recognized, portable credential certifying essential skills needed for workplace success	District Requirement	Estimated testing time: 3 hours	February	Given to students once results are received.
STAR	Math, Reading	K-6	STAR reading assesses reading comprehension and related skills. STAR Math tracks development in four domains: Numbers and Operations, Algebra, Geometry and Measurement, Data Analysis, Statistics, and Probability.	District Requirement	Estimate testing time: 20 minutes per test; 3x/year.	Fall, Winter, Spring. One exam in each subject (math/reading) per benchmark period.	Shared at parent/teacher conferences
AIMSweb Plus	Math, Reading	K-6	AimswbPlus® is an assessment, data management, and reporting system that provides national and local performance and growth norms for the screening and progress monitoring of math and reading.	District Requirement	Estimate testing time: 15 minutes per test; 3x/year.	Fall, Winter, Spring. One exam in each subject (math/reading) per benchmark period.	Shared at parent/teacher conferences

Pre-ACT	English, Reading, Math & Science	10	Provides a unique ACT® test practice experience. Scores predict performance on the ACT and help inform important high school course decisions with academic and career indicators that identify strengths and areas for improvement students' college and career readiness.	District Requirement	Estimated testing time: 4 hours	February	Results will be discussed with students once results have been received & mailed home afterward.
ASVAB (Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery)	Military Aptitude	11	Qualification assessment for enlistment in the military as well as various civilian career aptitude & interest information.	District Requirement	Estimated testing time: 3 hours	September	Results will be discussed with students once results have been received & mailed home afterward.