

# DPSCD 2020-2021 ASSESSMENT CALENDAR



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## PURPOSE

This assessment calendar outlines all required national, state, and District assessments for the 2020-21 school year. Many factors beyond the control of the District may impact this calendar. Some assessments may be canceled rescheduled, or administered in new ways. Especially in uncertain times, assessments provide important information about student learning that can guide the path for educators.

Because national and state assessment requirements may change throughout the year, this calendar will be updated as needed.

## REVISIONS

### **Additional Academic Approach Assessments for High Schools**

The District added Fall Academic Approach assessments for students in grades 9-11. These tests were administered online in the month of November to provide baseline information about student performance toward college and career readiness standards.

### **Removal of KRA and NAEP Testing**

At the beginning of the school year, the requirement to administer the Kindergarten Readiness Assessment (KRA) to all incoming kindergarten students was removed for the 2020-2021 school year. Similarly, the National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP), also known as the nation's report card, has been postponed for one year.

### **Winter i-Ready Window Change**

To provide more instructional time between the fall and winter assessments, the i-Ready window has changed to occur after Winter Break.

ONGOING ASSESSMENTS	GRADES	DATES
WIDA Access Placement Test ( <i>in-person only</i> )	K-1	Ongoing, as needed
WIDA Screener ( <i>in-person only</i> )	1-12	Ongoing, as needed
i-Ready Diagnostic for new students	K-8	Ongoing, as needed

FALL ASSESSMENTS	GRADES	DATES
i-Ready, Reading and Math	K-8	September 21 – October 16, 2020
Science and Social Studies Benchmarks	5, 8, 11	September 21 – October 21, 2020
Academic Approach PSAT 8	8	October 5 – 21, 2020
Academic Approach	9-11	November 4 – 24, 2020
SAT with Essay	12	September 23, 2020
		October 14, 2020
		October 27, 2020
PSAT / NMSQT	10, 11	October 14, 2020
		October 29, 2020
		January 26, 2021
PSAT 8/9	9	October 7 – 20, 2020
8th Grade High School Placement Test	8	November 4 – 20, 2020

WINTER ASSESSMENTS	GRADES	DATES
i-Ready, Reading and Math	K-8	January 6 – 22, 2021
Science and Social Studies Benchmarks	5, 8, 11	January 6 – 22, 2021
Academic Approach	9-11	January 19 – 28, 2021
Semester 1 Final Exams	9-12	January 29 – February 2, 2021
WIDA Access and Alternate Access	K-12	February 1 – March 19, 2021

SPRING ASSESSMENTS	GRADES	DATES	
STATE SUMMATIVES	PSAT 8, SAT	8, 11	April 13, 2021
	PSAT 9, PSAT 10	9, 10	April 13 – 15, 2021
	ACT WorkKeys	11	April 14, 2021
	M-STEP 5, 8, 11	5, 8, 11	April 12 – May 7, 2021
	M-STEP 3, 4, 6, 7	3, 4, 6, 7	May 3 – May 28, 2021
	MI-Access	3-8, 11	April 12 – May 28, 2021
Science and Social Studies Benchmarks	5, 8, 11	May 24 – June 11, 2021	
i-Ready, Reading and Math	K-8	June 1 – 17, 2021	
Semester 2 Final Exams	6-12	June 18 – 22, 2021	

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