

Office of Assessment

Delaware State-Level Assessments (2020-2021)

| State Assemments (Mandatory) | Subjects | Grades | Purpose | Alignment to Standards | Users of the Assessments | Testing window | Type of administration, Length, & Frequency | Results availability |
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| ELA & Math Summative | ELA & Math | 3-8 | 1. Meet federal requirements for school accountability. 2. Measure student achievement toward the DE Standards in ELA/Lit. & Math 3. Serve as a primary indicator. | Delaware Content Standards in English language arts/literacy & mathematics | State, district, school, teachers, parents, and various stakeholder groups | March 15-May 27, 2021 | * Online adaptive tests * Once a year in the spring *CAT 1:30 ELA *CAT 1:30 Math *PT 2:00 ELA *PT 1:00 Math | July/August |
| Science Summative | Science | 5, 8, and Biology | 1. Meet federal requirements for school accountability. 2. Measure student achievement toward the Science Standards 3. Serve as a primary indicator. | Delaware Next Gen Content Standards | State, district, school, teachers, parents, and various stakeholder groups | March 15-May 27, 2021 | Online Fixed forms * elementary designed to take approx 90 min. secondary designed to take approx 120 min. * once in spring | July/August |
| Social Studies Summative | Social Studies | 4, 7, and 11 | 1. Accountability in participation. 2. Measure student achievement toward the Social Studies Standards. | Delaware Social Studies Content Standards | State, district, school, teachers, parents, and various stakeholder groups | March 15-May 27, 2021 | Online Fixed forms * about 2-3 hrs * once in spring | July/August |
| SAT School Day | Reading, Writing & Math | All grade 11 students (general state assessment.) | 1. Meet federal requirements for school accountability. 2. Measure student achievement toward the standards. 3. Measure student readiness for college. | Aligned to College Board Content Standards (somewhat aligned to CCSS) | State, district, school, teachers, and parents | March 24, 2021 and April 27 (Make up) | * Multiple-Choice and essay in writing * 4hrs 22mins * Once in spring | College Board Portal - May; State reporting July/August |
| PSAT 10 | ELA & Math | Grades 8/9 students | 1. Measure student achievement toward the standards. 2. Measure student readiness for SAT. | Aligned to College Board Content Standards (somewhat aligned to CCSS) | State, district, school, teachers, and parents | Feb 22- March 26, 2021 | * Multiple-Choice and essay in writing * 4hrs 22mins * Once in spring | College Board Portal - May; State reporting July/August |
| DeSSA-Alternate | ELA ; Math & Science | Students with disabilities in grades 3-11 | 1. Meet federal requirements for school accountability. 2. Measure student achievement toward the CCSS Standards in ELA/Lit. & Math 3. Serve as a primary indicator. | Delaware Content Standards - Grade level (based on Common Core State Standards) | State, district, school, teachers, and parents | Mar 15-May 21, 2021 | Untimed, usually takes 1 hour | July/August |

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| DCPS (1% ALT) | ELA ; Math & Science | Students with disabilities in grades 3-11 | 1. Meet federal requirements for school accountability. 2. Measure student achievement toward the CCSS Standards in ELA/Lit. & Math 3. Serve as a primary indicator. | Delaware Content Standards - Grade level (based on Common Core State Standards) | State, district, school, teachers, and parents | Oct. 12, 2020 - Feb. 19, 2021 (see Assessment Calendar for Observation Windows) | Includes 3 observation windows * Online | July/August |
| National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP) | ELA, Mathematics, Science, & Writing | 4 and 8 | Measures student knowledge of reading, mathematics and science | Aligned to NAEP Standards | Nation, State, and large school district levels | N/A | National Survey Test * Paper/Pencil and Online * about 90 minutes each block * every two years, 2017, 2019, etc | Dec. 2018/Jan. 2019 |
| ACCESS for ELLs | Reading, writing, listening, speaking | K-12 | To measure an ELL student's level of English language proficiency at year-end. | WIDA English Language Development Standards | State, district, school, teachers, and parents | Feb. 1 - Mar 19, 2021 | Online fixed forms * Once a year * Untimed, it usually takes about 2 hours | July/August |
| ACCESS for ELLs- ALT | Reading, writing, listening, speaking | K-12 | To measure an ELL student with significant cognitive disabilities' level of English language proficiency at year-end. | WIDA English Language Development Standards | State, district, school, teachers, and parents | Feb. 1 - Mar 19, 2021 | Online fixed forms * Once a year * Untimed, it usually takes about 2 hours | July/August |
| Supplemental (S) - Optional (O) Assessments | Subjects | Grades | Purpose | Alignment to Standards | Users of the Assessments | Testing window | Type of administration, length, & Frequency | Results availability |
| Science End of Unit (S) | Science | Grades 3-10 | 1. Provide instructional information to students and teachers. 2. Provide evaluative information at the classroom, school and district levels. 3. Signal field to expectations of shifts in standards/instruction. | Delaware Next Gen Content Standards | Science Coalition, district, school, teachers, parents, and students | Field test for first round 5, 8 and Biology begins November 2018 | Paper pencil Fixed forms * elementary designed to take approx 45-60 min. secondary designed to take approx 90 min. * 3x per year | Teacher scored. |
| PSAT 8/9 (O) | ELA & Math | 8/9 | Improve classroom instruction and readiness for SAT | Aligned to College Board Content Standards (somewhat aligned to CCSS) | State, district, school, teachers, parents, and various stakeholder groups | Sept. 21, 2020 - Mar 26, 2021 | Online and paper/pencil | College Board Portal - May |
| Smarter ELA and Math Interim Assessments Blocks (IABs)/Interim Comprehensive (ICAs) (O) | ELA & Math | 3-10 | 1. Improve classroom instruction and determine student achievement toward Delaware Content Standards 2. Readiness for summative | Delaware Content Standards in English language arts/literacy & mathematics | State, district, school, teachers, parents | Available Entire School year | * Online Fixed Forms * About a class period for each block for each content * No limit on Frequency | Immediate results unless some hand-scoring for PTs and Writing |