

Testing Programs**Statewide Mastery Examination Testing**

Each student enrolled in the third, fourth, fifth, sixth, seventh and eighth grades shall take the Smarter Balanced Assessment Consortium (SBAC). Each student in the fifth and eighth grade shall take the Connecticut Mastery Test (CMT) in Science. Each student in the tenth grade shall take the Connecticut Academic Performance Test (CAPT) in Science. These examinations shall be provided by and administered under the supervision of the State Board of Education.

Note: Federal legislation requires that all special education students participate in the grades 3-8 and grade 10 statewide assessments. In Connecticut, that is the SBAC grades 3-8 and the CAPT in grade 10. Under State Department of Education regulations no more than one percent of the total enrollment of a respective grade level tested on the *CAPT Skills Checklist* will be counted as 'proficient' for the purpose of determining Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP), regardless of the number of students actually scoring at or above the proficient level. That assessment is designed only for those special education students with significant cognitive impairments and for whom the CAPT is deemed inappropriate.

District Standardized Testing

The Board of Education shall authorize any standardized test that is to be administered district wide to all students at a grade level. Such tests shall be administered by members of the school staff.

Legal Reference: Connecticut General Statutes:
10-14n State-wide mastery examinations

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