

Office of Assessment

Delaware State-Level Assessments (2021-2022)

| State Assemmments (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 | April 4 - May 26 *P/P April 4 - April 29 | * Online adaptive tests * Once a year in the spring *CAT 1:00 ELA *CAT 1:00 Math *PT 1:30 ELA *PT 1:00 Math | July/August 2022 |
| 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 | April 4 - May 26 *P/P April 4 - April 29 | Online Fixed forms * elementary designed to take approx 90 min. secondary designed to take approx 120 min. * once in spring | July/August 2022 |
| 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 | April 4 - May 26 *P/P April 4 - April 29 | Online Fixed forms * about 2-3 hrs * once in spring | July/August 2022 |
| SAT School Day (Fall Opportunity) | Reading & 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 | October 13 Make-Up Day: October 28 Accommodations: October 13 - 26 | * Multiple-Choice and essay in writing * 4hrs 22mins | College Board Portal - May; State reporting July/August |
| SAT School Day (Digital) | Reading, Math & Essay | Grade 11 | 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 23 - 25 and March 29-30 Make-Up Days: April 13-14 Accommodations: March 23 - April 5 | * Multiple-Choice and essay in writing * 4hrs 22mins * Once in spring | College Board Portal - May; State reporting July/August |
| PSAT 10 | ELA & Math | Grade 10 | 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 | April 13 - April 28 | * Multiple-Choice and essay in writing * 4hrs 22mins * Once in spring | College Board Portal - May; State reporting July/August |

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| DeSSA-Alternate | ELA ; Math & Science | Students with disabilities in grades 3-8, 11 ELA/Math and Grades 5, 8, 10 for Science | 1. Meet federal requirements for school accountability. 2. Measure student achievement in accessing the CCSS Standards in ELA/Lit. & Math and NGSS for Science 3. Serve as a primary indicator. | Delaware Alternate Achievement Standards-Grade level (access to Common Core State Standards and NGSS for Science) | State, district, school, teachers, and parents | Sept. 13 - Dec. 17 Feb. 7 - May 20 | Untimed, usually 6-9 testlets in each content area. Takes about 1 hour. | July/August |
| DCPS (1% ALT) | ELA ; Math & Science | Students with disabilities in grades 3-8, 11 ELA/Math and Grades 5, 8, 10 for Science | 1. Meet state requirements for portfolio assessment for students with severe communication needs 2. Measure student achievement in activities and targets based on teacher observations 3. Measure student achievement in accessing the CCSS standards in ELA/Lit. & Math and NGSS for Science. | Delaware Alternate Achievement Standards-Grade level (access to Common Core State Standards and NGSS for Science) | State, district, school, teachers, and parents | OBS 1: Nov. 1 - 30 OBS 2: Feb. 7 - Mar. 7 OBS 3: April 20 - May 20 | 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 | Jan. 24 - Mar. 4 | 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 18 | 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 | | 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 of forms for 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 and Biology. Begin 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. |

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| Social Studies Interims (S) | Social Studies | Grade 8 | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 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 Social Studies Content Standards | Social Studies Coalition, district, school, teachers, parents, and students | Grade 8 Field Test: Admin 1: Nov 8 - 29, Admin 2: Feb. 14 - Mar. 4, Admin 3: May 9-27 | Online fixed forms * Untimed, Usually takes about 45 min * 3x per year | Field Test in 2021-22 so no results available |
| Smarter ELA and Math Interim Assessments Blocks (IABs)/Interim Comprehensive (ICAs) (O) | ELA & Math | 3-10 | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 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 | | * 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 |