

ISASP

Iowa Statewide Assessment of Student Progress



What is the ISASP?

- ❖ The state assessment measures your student's academic achievement and provides information to help your student succeed. The ISASP makes this possible by providing detailed information about your student in content areas including English Language Arts, Science, and Mathematics. Science is only for 5th-grade students.
- ❖ We will complete these tests the week of April 12 - 16th. The make-up week will be the following week of April 19 - 23rd.
- ❖ The assessment will be administered online during school hours in classrooms.
- ❖ Distance learners are required by law to complete these tests in person. Please communicate with your classroom teachers about testing schedules.

Benefits of ISASP

- ❖ Assesses content mastery in English Language Arts, Science, and Mathematics.
- ❖ Measures growth from year to year on a common scale.
- ❖ Measures a student's performance as Advanced, Proficient, or Not Yet Proficient as based on the Iowa Core, and provides a general explanation of what a student knows and is able to do.

Preparation

- ❖ Teachers will help prepare your student for the ISASP, and parents/guardians can also participate in student test preparation by visiting the ISASP Test Preparation page.
- ❖ Here is the link:
<https://iowa.pearsonaccess.com/test-prep/>
- ❖ There are practice tests available for each grade level and content area that will be assessed. There is no login/password required.

Day-of Tips

- ❖ **Reassure Your Student** – Pre-test jitters are common. Reassure them that even though tests can be scary, their focus and hard work will show what they already know and how they can keep learning.
- ❖ **Tell Your Student What To Expect** – Explain that some questions will be difficult and they won't know all the answers. Remind them to choose the best answer, so we learn as much as possible about what they know.
- ❖ **Give Them A Head Start** – Help your student start test day well-rested and with a healthy breakfast.
- ❖ **A Positive Attitude Is Contagious** – Let your student know you believe they will do their best! Keep the morning before the test lighthearted, positive, and encouraging.

The ISASP is required for all students, including remote learners, and must be completed in-person.

Remote Learners

- ❖ All students who are currently signed up as remote learners in our district will still be required to complete the ISASP.
- ❖ The ISASP will be administered **in-person** and in a proctored environment.
- ❖ All remote learners will need to come to the elementary school so that they can be proctored by their classroom teacher. Classroom teachers will communicate with parents about remote learners testing.

State and Federal Requirement

- ❖ ISASP falls under the category of a state and federally **required** assessment. The Iowa Department of Education states:

“The **Iowa Statewide Assessment of Student Progress (ISASP)** is the summative accountability assessment for all Iowa students that meets the requirements of the federal Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA). The test was developed by Iowa Testing Programs (ITP) at the University of Iowa as per the Iowa Legislature ([HF 2235](#)) and was first administered in the spring of 2019. The ISASP is aligned to the Iowa Core academic standards and accurately describes student achievement and growth.”

Testing Schedule

- ❖ Reference the table below to know when all students will complete all portions of the ISASP.

Date	Time Slot	Test Session
Tuesday, April 13th	8:30-10:30 am	Language and Writing
Wednesday, April 14th	8:30-10:30 am	Reading
Thursday, April 15th	8:30-10:30 am	Math
Friday, April 16th	8:30-10:30 am	5th Science
April 19-23rd	Anytime in am	Makeups

Afternoons may be used to finish tests that have not been completed

Untimed Testing

- ❖ The **untimed** assessments will be administered using the guidance from the Iowa Department of Education using the table below for grades, categories, and time estimates.

Tests	Grade Levels	Recommended Administration Time (minutes)
Reading	3-11	60
Language and Writing	3-11	120
Mathematics	3-11	60
Science	5, 8 and 10	60

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