

2019–20 Assessment Schedule

Office of Assessment

Prekindergarten Assessments

4-Year-Old Prekindergarten

Districts must administer one of the following assessments to each 4-year-old prekindergarten student during the first 45 days of the school year and during the last 45 days of the school year.

PALS	published by Illuminate (formerly IO Education)
myIGDIs™	published by Renaissance Learning (formerly Early Learning Labs)
GOLD®	published by Teaching Strategies®

Precode Collection	Will close at noon on September 3, 2019
Delivery of state data file	TBD

Workshops and webinars are provided in the spring, summer and fall. See the 4K Readiness Training Information for 2018-19 and 2019-20 on the SCDE 4K Readiness Web page:

<https://ed.sc.gov/tests/elementary/pre-k-and-kindergarten-readiness-assessments/pre-kindergarten-readiness-assessments/>.

Kindergarten Readiness Assessment (KRA)

5-Year-Old Kindergarten

All districts must administer the Kindergarten Readiness Assessment (KRA) during the first 45 days of the school year.

The KRA is published by The Center for Technology in Education at Johns Hopkins University. District data files can be downloaded from the KRA System at the conclusion of testing in the district.

Precode collection	will close at noon on September 3, 2019
Delivery of state data file	TBD

Workshops and webinars are provided in the spring, summer and fall. See the KRA Readiness Training Information for 2018-19 and 2019-20 on the SCDE 5K Readiness Web page:

<https://ed.sc.gov/tests/elementary/pre-k-and-kindergarten-readiness-assessments/kindergarten-readiness-assessment-kra/>

Gifted and Talented Assessments – Grade 2

Cognitive Abilities Test (CogAT) and Iowa Assessments (IA)

Note. The State Fiscal Accountability Authority Procurement Services Office has extended the contractor for this program for the 2019-20 school year.

Testing Window	October 15–November 7, 2019
Make-up Testing Window	January 13–17, 2020
Precode Collection	August 22, 2019
Pretest Face-to-Face Pretest Workshop	September 17, 2019
Pretest Webinar	September 19, 2019
Posttest Webinar	November 14, 2019
Delivery of Data Files and Score Reports	December 16, 2019

Performance Task Assessments

Note: The State Fiscal Accountability Authority Procurement Services Office has extended the contractor for this program for the 2019-20 school year.

Testing Window	February 18–March 5, 2020
Student Data Due to Contractor	January 6, 2020
Return of Test Materials	March 6, 2020
Make-up Testing	March 9–12, 2020
Return of Make-up Testing Materials	March 13, 2020
Training for new DTCs/GTCs	January 15, 2020
Data Files and Score Reports	May 20, 2020

ACCESS for ELLs® and Alternate ACCESS for ELLs® English Language Proficiency Assessments, Grades K–12

Testing Window	January 27–March 13, 2020
Delivery of state and district data files	June 3, 2020

Training is provided through a series of online modules and webinars that can be viewed at any time prior to test administration.

End-of-Course Examination Program (EOCEP)

The selection of district test windows for EOCEP must follow the guidelines below:

For **Algebra 1, Biology 1, English 1-Reading, English 2-Reading and USHC**, the district testing window must not begin earlier than the last 15 instructional days of the semester or school year.

For the **English 1 and English 2 Writing** sections, the district testing window must not begin earlier than the last 20 instructional days of the semester or school year. The English writing and reading sections must not be administered on the same day.

Fall/Winter 2019-20 Testing Window	December 2, 2019-January 31, 2020
Technology Workshop Webinar	September 10, 2019
Pretest Workshop Webinar	October 22, 2019
Technology Workshop Webinar	September 10, 2019
Materials Delivery:	November 25, 2019
Delivery of State/District Data Files	February 28, 2020
Paper Reports Delivered	March 20, 2020
Spring 2020 Testing Window	April 29, 2020-June 5, 2020
Pretest Webinar	March 10, 2020
Materials Delivery	April 20, 2020
Delivery of State/District Data Files	June 26, 2020
Paper Reports Delivered	July 31, 2020
Summer 2020 Testing Window	June 29, 2020-July 31, 2020

SC READY and SCPASS

English Language Arts and Mathematics, Grades 3–8
Science-Grades 4 and 6

Testing Window	The last twenty school days as determined by the district's instructional calendar
Technology Workshop	September 10, 2019
Pretest Workshop	February 25, 2020
State data files	June 23, 2020
District data files and reports	July 8, 2020
Paper reports to districts	July 28, 2020

South Carolina-Alternate Assessment (SC-Alt) Online

SC Alternate Assessment for SC READY (Grades 3-8)

SC Alternate Assessment for SCPASS (Science: Grades 4 and 6)

SC Alternate Assessment for EOCEP

(English 1, Algebra 1, US History and the Constitution, & Biology)

Testing Window	March 9–April 24, 2020
DTC-Alt face-to-face training	December 11, 2019
State data file	July 15, 2020
Summer 2020 Testing Window	June 29, 2020-July 31, 2020

Grade 10 Assessments

*The district may choose any dates from the options provided by the publishers.
Approved tests for reimbursement include: Aspire, Pre-ACT, or PSAT.*

PSAT/NMSQT

Primary Test Day	October 16, 2019
Saturday Test Day	October 19, 2019
Alternate Test Day	October 30, 2019

Online score reports are available to student in December 2019.

PSAT 10

Please contact the College Board for these dates.

PreACT

The test date and the time are established by the customer within the annual test window: September 1 through June 1 of each year.

Aspire for Grade 10

Please contact ACT for these dates.

Ready to Work (R2W) and The Soft Skills Essential Test Career Readiness Assessments

Districts must administer the career readiness assessments to all 11th grade students based on their 9GR date. Eleventh grade students are students in the third year of high school after their initial enrollment in the ninth grade.

Online testing window	March 30–April 8, 2020*
Paper administration	March 30–April 3, 2020*
Accommodations Testing	March 30–April 8, 2020*
Materials Delivered to Schools/Districts	by March 12, 2020
Pretest Webinars Scores will be available online	February 20 and 28; March 2 and 5 April 15–May 8, 2020
Posttest Administration Webinars	May 14 and May 19, 2020
District data files will be available	May 30, 2020

Note. Testing Windows include make-up testing.

Grade Twelve Testing

If sufficient funds are allocated for 12th grade testing, students may retake one or more parts of the Career Readiness Assessment during the same online test window as the 11th grade students. Students in the 12th grade must retest in the online format unless an IEP or 504 Plan specifies paper.

Retests for 12th grade students: March 31–April 8

College Entrance Assessments

Districts must offer all eleventh grade students the opportunity to take the SAT or the ACT college entrance assessment. Eleventh grade students are students in the third year of high school after their initial enrollment in the ninth grade. Districts may choose any of the following test date options provided by the test publishers. Contact The College Board and ACT, Inc. with questions.

ACT Test Dates

Districts may select up to three options from the testing windows below for an initial testing date, make-up date, and emergency date. Districts do not have to choose a make-up date and/or emergency date. Fall and spring administrations are completely separate; ACT will provide separate score reports, data files, and key dates.

ACT Fall 2019 Paper Test Dates

Paper Test Dates	Online Test Dates	Accommodation Test Dates for Paper	Accommodation Test Dates for Online
October 1	N/A	October 1-4, 7-11, 14-15	N/A
October 15	N/A	October 15-18, 21	N/A
October 29	N/A	October 29-November 4	N/A

ACT Spring 2020 Paper and Online Test Dates-Window 1

Paper Test Dates	Online Test Dates	Accommodation Test Dates for Paper	Accommodation Test Dates for Online
February 25	February 25-27, March 3-5	February 25-28, March 2-6	February 25-27, March 3-5

ACT Spring 2020 Paper and Online Test Dates-Window 2

Paper Test Dates	Online Test Dates	Accommodation Test Dates for Paper	Accommodation Test Dates for Online
March 10	March 10-12 and March 17-19	March 10-13 and March 16-20	March 10-12 and March 17-19

ACT Paper and Online Test Dates-Window 3

Paper Test Dates	Online Test Dates	Accommodation Test Dates for Paper	Accommodation Test Dates for Online
March 24	March 24-26 and March 31, April 1-2	March 24-27 and March 30-31, April 1-3	March 24-26 and March 31, April 1-2

SAT Test Dates

Administration Dates	Make-up Dates
March 4, 2020	March 25, April 14, or April 28
March 25, 2020	April 14 or April 28
April 14, 2020	April 28
April 28, 2020	No make-up date for the April 28 administration

SAT School Day Key Dates for 2020

Key Events	March 4 Administration	March 25 Administration	April 14 Administration	April 28 Administration
Deadline for test book orders that include a <i>coordinator planning kit</i>	January 10	January 31	February 14	February 28
Deadline to submit testing <i>accommodation requests</i> for students with disabilities.	January 14	February 4	February 24	March 9
<i>Order deadline</i> for standard and accommodated test books and/or test-book order reduction	January 31	February 21	March 6	March 20
Deadline to request <i>extended time for English learners</i>	January 31	February 21	March 6	March 20
Schools receive <i>pre-administration materials and student guides</i>	February 18–20	March 10–12	March 31 – April 2	April 7–9
All schools receive <i>test books</i> during this time	February 26 – March 2	March 18–23	April 7–10	April 21–24
Most <i>scores available</i> . Some essay score may be posted on a later date	March 26	April 16	May 6	May 20

The College Board is only offering a paper version of the SAT. They are continuing to pilot the online system.

**National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP)
Long-Term Trend (LTT) – Mathematics and Reading, ages 9, 13, and 17**

District notification of sampled schools is scheduled for May 2019.

NAEP LTT testing window	Age 13: October 14–December 20, 2019
	Age 9: January 6–March 13, 2020
	Age 17: March 16–May 22, 2020