

Assessment Schedule and Requirements 2025-2026

Test	Grade Level	Administration Dates	Duration	Results Available	Accessibility Options	Required By State or Federal Government
Kindergarten Entrance Assessment	K	September 9, 2025, to October 17, 2025.	6-8 weeks	October 2025	Teacher observation of skills in all five domains: social-emotional, physical, language, cognitive, and academic to determine baseline data.	Yes
Access and Alternative Access for ELLs	K-8	February 2, 2026, to March 27, 2026 Makeup sessions: March 30 to April 3, 2026	45-60 minutes	July 2026	• Answer Masking • Audio Amplification • Background/Font Color • Blank Paper • Eliminate Answer Choice • Flag Items for Review • Directions Clarified • Directions Read Aloud and Repeated	Yes
K-3 Universal Screener	K-3	September 8 to October 17 and January 5 to January 30, 2026	Time as needed	November 2025 February 2026	N/A	Yes
iReady Diagnostic Test Window #1	K-8	September 8 to October 17.	Time as needed	October 2025	N/A	No
iReady Diagnostic Test Window #2	K-8	January 5 to January 30.	Time as needed	February 2026	N/A	No
iReady Diagnostic Test Window #3	K-8	May 14 to June 8.	Time as needed	June 2026	N/A	No
Math Placement Test	3-5	June 2, 2026	Approximately 1 hour	June 2026	None*	No
InView	2 and 4	March 11-12 March 11-Grade 4	Approximately 1.5 – 2 hours	June 2026	None*	No

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		March 12-Grade 2				
NJSLA-Adaptive Field Testing	4-8	October 27 to November 14. No testing on November 4, 6, 7 & 11. October 27, 28, & 29 elementary schools. November 10, 12, & 13 middle school.		Winter 2026	• Answer Masking • Audio Amplification • Background/Font Color • Blank Paper • Eliminate Answer Choice • Flag Items for Review • Directions Clarified • Directions Read Aloud and Repeated	Yes
NJSLA-Adaptive	3	April 30-May 6	Approximately 2.5 to 3 hours each day (Includes Instruction and extra time if needed)	August 2026	• Answer Masking • Audio Amplification • Background/Font Color • Blank Paper • Eliminate Answer Choice • Flag Items for Review • Directions Clarified • Directions Read Aloud and Repeated	Yes
NJSLA-Adaptive	4, 5	May 7-May 13	Approximately 2.5 to 3 hours each day (Includes Instruction and extra time if needed)	August 2026	• Answer Masking • Audio Amplification • Background/Font Color • Blank Paper • Eliminate Answer Choice • Flag Items for Review	Yes

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NJSLA-Adaptive	6, 7, 8	May 14-20	Approximately 2.5 to 3 hours each day (Includes Instruction and extra time if needed)	August 2026	• Answer Masking • Audio Amplification • Background/Font Color • Blank Paper • Eliminate Answer Choice • Flag Items for Review • Directions Clarified • Directions Read Aloud and Repeated	Yes
NJSLA Science	5 & 8	May 14-15 Grade 5 May 5-6 Grade 8	5 th Grade- Approximately 1 hour 8 th Grade- Approximately 2 hours	August 2026	None*	Yes
Dynamic Learning Maps (DLM)	3,4,5,6,7, & 8 ELA and Math	April 6, 2026, to May 22, 2026. Makeup testing May 26 to May 29th. *due to the individualized nature of the administration of the DLM, the testing window is extended	Approximate Times: Reading- 90-135 minutes Writing- 10-20 minutes Math- 60-120 minutes	August 2026	• All accessibility options are outlined in students' Individualized Education Plans (IEPs).	Yes
Dynamic Learning Maps (DLM)	5 & 8 Science	April 6, 2026, to May 22, 2026. Makeup testing May 26 to May 29th. *due to the individualized	Approximate Times: Science- 90-140 minutes	August 2026	• All accessibility options are outlined in students' Individualized Education Plans (IEPs).	Yes

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English Language Arts Benchmarks	3-8	Grades 3-5: December 1-12 February 16-27 May 18-June 5 Grades 6-8: November 10-21 January 26-30 April 20-24	Approximate Times: 90-120 minutes	Fall 2025 and Spring 2026	All accessibility options are outlined in students' Individualized Education Plans (IEPs).	Yes
Math Benchmarks	3-8	Grades 3-5: November 10-21 February 16-27 May 18-22 Grades 6-8: November 3-11 January 19-28 April 13-24	Approximate Times: 90-120 minutes	Fall 2025 and Spring 2026	All accessibility options are outlined in students' Individualized Education Plans (IEPs).	Yes
National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP)	4	January 26 to March 20, 2026 Test Window	60 minutes per subject area ELA & Math	Spring 2026	All accessibility options are outlined in students' Individualized Education Plans (IEPs).	Yes

*If a student is permitted extra time or any other accommodations by their IEP or 504 plan, parents/guardians should review their child's IEP or 504 plan and contact the CST if additional details on accommodations and accessibility options are needed.

Important Information

The NJSLA Testing Window is April 27, 2026, to May 22, 2026. Make-up Testing is from May 26, 2026, to May 29, 2026.

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