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## DoDEA Balanced Assessment Program SY 23-24

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DoDEA has worked with the Balanced Assessment Working Group (BASWG) to understand the needs of educators and students, and how to better connect curriculum, instruction, and assessment as a continuous cycle of improvement. Assessments are a critical leverage point of the cycle to allow leaders at all levels to understand how curriculum, instruction, and assessment can lead to instructional shifts necessary to reach every child. To further create this systemic, continuous approach of curriculum, instruction, and assessment, DoDEA will shorten the CCRS Assessment window and interim window for SY 23-24 to inform decisions and to provide students, educators, and caregivers with timely feedback. DoDEA recognizes that assessments are only a snapshot of a day in the life of a student and does not reflect the whole story of student success.

The CCRS Summative Assessment is not meant to be an assessment for the end of the 4th quarter of learning, but rather, an assessment that shows learning and growth over the course of the school year. The rigor of the CCRS summative assessment is targeted to assess at the 70% point of the school year, which the SY 23-24 Assessment Calendar for summative assessments covers. The SY 23-24 Assessment calendar CCRS summative assessment begins two weeks prior to the start date of all other years and end we1 week prior to the cut-off date of all other years. The CCRS summative assessment window in SY 23-24 spans over a 10-week window as it has in all other years. Based on the SY 23-24 Assessment Calendar, DoDEA is positioned to receive CCRS summative data back in a timely manner that would allow educators and instructional leaders adequate time to interpret student assessment results, set instructional goals, and align the goals with necessary shifts for

increased growth (improvement), proficiency (value-driven measurement), and achievement (objective measurement of ability at a given point in time) for the whole child.

**Table 1: Summative/End-of-Year (EOY)/End-of-Course (EOC)/Semester Assessments**

#	Assessment	GradeBand	2023–2024 Participants	Proposed Administration Window
1	K–5 Oral Reading Proficiency Tool (RPT)	Elementary	All students in grades Kindergarten (K)–5	1st Administration:
				<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Grades 1-5: First 6 six weeks of student's enrollment.</li><li>• Grade K: By January 31 from initial student enrollment.</li></ul>
				2nd Administration:
2	WIDA Screener	Elementary, Middle, High	New students based on Home Language Survey	Sept. 30, 2023 for beginning of the year enrollment. After that, 30 days after enrollment.
	Cognitive Abilities Test (CogAT) Screener for Advanced Academic Programs & Services (AAPS)	Elementary	Grade 2 students only	Grade 2: Oct. 2023 with make-up window in Feb. 2024

#	Assessment	GradeBand	2023–2024 Participants	Proposed Administration Window
4	Career Technical Education (CTE)—NOCTI	High School	Yearlong Courses:	
			Biotechnology Engineering,	
			Career Practicum,	Yearlong Courses:
			Engineering Drawing/CAD, Education II,	Pretests: 8/1–9/30
			Education III,	Posttests: 4/15–6/15
			Green Technology Engineering,	
			JROTC III**/IV,	Semester 1 Courses:
			Principles of Engineering,	Pretests: 8/1–9/30
			Video Communications II	Posttests: 12/1–1/31
			Semester Courses:	Semester 2 Courses:
			Business & Personal Finance,	Pretests: 1/1–2/28
			Digital Publishing,	Posttests: 4/15–6/15
			Management Foundations, Marketing/Entrepreneurship, Spreadsheet/Database,	
			Web Design	
5	CTE—CompTIA A+	High School	Computer Services Support	4/15–6/15
6	CTE—Culinary Certifications*	High School	Culinary Arts I, Culinary Arts II	TBD

#	Assessment	GradeBand	2023–2024 Participants	Proposed Administration Window
				Semester 1 Courses:
				Pretests: 8/1–9/30
				Posttests: 12/1–1/31
7	CTE—Adobe Certified - Photoshop	High School	Digital Imaging	
				Semester 2 Courses:
				Pretests: 1/1–2/28
				Posttests: 4/15–6/15
				Yearlong Courses:
8	CTE—Adobe Certified – Premiere Pro	High School	Video Communications III	Pretests: 8/1–9/30
				Posttests: 4/15–6/15
9	CTE—Certified Nursing Aide	High School	Health Science II**	4/15–6/15
10	Digital PSAT 8/9	Middle, High	All students in grades 8 and 9	Oct. 10–20, 2023
11	Digital PSAT /NMSQT	High	All students in grades 10 and 11	Oct. 11, 2023 (Alternate: Oct. 24, 2023; requires DoDEA approval)
12	ACCESS for ELLs and Alternate ACCESS for ELLs	Elementary, Middle, High	AEL students (Levels 1-5)	Dec. 11, 2023–March 1, 2024
13	DoDEA Alternate Assessment Mathematics and Literacy	Elementary, Middle, High	Eligible students only (Grades 3–8, and 11)	March 11–April 26, 2024
14	National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP)	Elementary, Middle	Select schools	January–March, 2024
15	CogAT Full Battery for AAPS	Elementary, Middle	Eligible students only	Sept.–June, as needed

#	Assessment	GradeBand	2023–2024 Participants	Proposed Administration Window
16	College and Career Ready Standards (CCRS) Summative Assessment Mathematics	Elementary, Middle, High	Grades 3–8, Algebra I, Geometry, and Algebra II	March 11–May 17, 2024
17	CCRS Summative Assessment English Language Arts (ELA)/Literacy	Elementary, Middle, High	Grades 3–8 and 10	March 11–May 17, 2024  Americas: Mar 18-22, 2024 *Make-up/Retest Mar 25-29, 2024
18	School Day SAT	High	11th & 12th Grade Students	Europe/PAC: April 2, 3, 4th, 2024 *Make-up/Retest Apr 9,10,11, 2024
19	Advanced Placement (AP)	High	All students enrolled in AP course(s)	May 6–17, 2024; Late AP Exams: May 22–24, 2024
20	ACTFL Assessment of Performance toward Proficiency in Languages (AAPPL) World Languages	Middle, High	World Language students in middle school and high school (Levels II and IV)	March 25–May 31, 2024
21	Credit by Exam (CBE)	High	By request per 1367.01	Sept. 18–22, 2023; Dec. 4–8, 2023; Jan. 22–26, 2024; May 24–31, 2024.

**Table 2: Required CCRS Interim Assessments: English-Language Arts (ELA)/Literacy and Mathematics**

**CCRS Interim Assessment Windows (Detailed Version)**

Mathematics 3–5 (Elementary)    ELA/Literacy (Elementary & Secondary)

## CCRS Interim Assessment Windows (Detailed Version)

Grades 3–5

Frequency	2x a year  2x a year (Interim 3 is optional)	
Testing Time	Maximum of 60 minutes	Maximum of 60 minutes for Interim 1 and 90 minutes for Interim 2
Testing window (Tested content)	Interim 1: Nov. 1– Dec. 1, 2023 (Weeks 1–7 content)	Interim 1: Nov. 1, 2023–Jan. 12, 2024 (all grade-level standards)
Note: Testing window varies by school based on school calendar.	Interim 2: Dec. 12, 2023–Feb. 8, 2024 (Weeks 8–14 content)	Interim 2: Feb. 13–Mar. 15, 2024 (all grade-level standards and one prose constructed response)
	Optional: Interim 3: Feb. 13–Mar 29, 2024 (Weeks 15–21 content)	

## Table 3: Required CCRS Formative Assessments: Mathematics

### CCRS Formative Assessment Window (Detailed Version)

Secondary Math – Grade 6-8, Algebra I&II, Geometry

(Edulastic – Formative Topic Assessment)

Frequency	2x a year (Additional topic assessments are optional)
Testing Time	90 minutes (as determined by school bell schedule)  2 End of Topic Assessments (Specific Assessments will be determined by Secondary Math HQ ISSs by August 2023)
Tested Grade/Course	Secondary Math - Grades 6-8 & Algebra I, II, and Geometry (Edulastic Formative Assessment)

Testing window (Tested content)	By the end of Quarter 1
	By the end of Quarter 2
Note: Testing window varies by school based on school calendar.	Additional assessments are optional

**Table 4: Required Alternate Content Standards (ACS) Interim Assessments**

ACS Interim Assessment Windows (Detailed Version)	
Frequency	4x a year
Tested Grade Bands	Elementary (K–2) , Intermediate (3–5), Middle School(6–8), and High School
Testing window (Tested content)	Interim 1: November Checkpoint (Pre& Post Assessment)
	Interim 2: January Checkpoint (Pre& Post Assessment)
Note: Testing windowvaries by school based on school calendar.	Interim 3: March Checkpoint (Pre & Post Assessment)
	Interim 4: May Checkpoint (Pre& Post Assessment)

Note: Schoolsare not required to administer the check pointsfor February and April. These are optional.For Level 1, this includes Combined Content, Reading and Mathematics. For Levels 2 and 3, this includes Reading, Word Recognition, Content Understanding, and Mathematics.

**Table 5: Voluntary Participation – Common Paced Assessments for Science**

Note: Theseassessments are comparable to former CCRS Interim Assessments for Science. Proposed Window: Nov 1, 2023–May 31, 2024.

Science	
Frequency	3x a year
Testing Time	Maximum of 60 minutes
Tested Grade/Course	Grades 2–5, and 7, and Biology
Testing window (Tested content)	Assessment 1:
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Grades 2 and 5: Life Science, Nov. 1–Dec. 15, 2023</li> <li>Grades 3 and 4: Weeks 1–12 content: Nov. 1–Dec. 15, 2023</li> <li>Grade 7: Modules I and L, Dec. 1, 2023–Jan. 26, 2024</li> <li>Biology: Units 1–4, Nov. 1–Dec. 15, 2023</li> </ul>
Note: Testing window varies by school based on school calendar.	

### Assessment 2:

- Grades 2 and 5: Physical Science, Feb. 5–March 15, 2024
- Grades 3 and 4: Weeks 13–23 content: Feb. 5–Mar. 15, 2024
- Grade 7: ModuleF, Mar. 1–April 5, 2024
- Biology: Units5–8, Mar. 1–April 5, 2024

### Assessment 3:

- Grades 2 and 5: Earth& Space Science, April 22–May 31, 2024
- Grades 3 and 4: Weeks 24–36 content: Apr. 22–May 31, 2024
- Grade 7: ModuleB, Apr. 22–May 31, 2024
- Biology: Units9–10, Apr. 22–May 31, 2024