# 2015–16 Assessment Schedule

The test dates listed below are for assessments administered through the South Carolina Department of Education's Office of Assessment. Some test dates have not been determined because testing contracts have not been awarded. Districts will be notified when changes are made to this schedule.

## Prekindergarten and Kindergarten Assessments

*Districts must administer assessments to each student in 4-year-old and 5-year-old kindergarten once during the first 45 days of the school year and once during the last 45 days of the school year. Districts may choose the assessment to administer to 4-year-old kindergarten students from the list below. All districts must administer the DRA-2nd Edition Plus to 5-year-old kindergarten students.*

### 4-Year-Old Kindergarten

Pals

MyIGDIs

GOLD

### 5-Year-Old Kindergarten

DRA-2nd Edition Plus

## End-of-Course Examination Program (EOCEP)

**Algebra 1, English 1, Biology 1, and US History and the Constitution**

**Fall 2015/Winter 2016**

| | |
|---|---|
| Testing Window | November 30, 2015–January 27, 2016 |
| Electronic Reports Available to Schools | 36 hours after testing |
| Data File to Districts | March 4, 2016 |
| Paper Reports to Districts | March 18, 2016 |

**Spring 2016**

| | |
|---|---|
| Testing Window | May 2–June 3, 2016 |
| Electronic Reports Available to Schools | 36 hours after testing |
| Data File to Districts | July 15, 2016 |
| Paper Reports to Districts | July 27, 2016 |

**Summer 2016**

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|---|---|
| Testing Window | June 20–July 22, 2016 |
| Electronic Reports Available to Schools | 36 hours after testing |
| Data File to districts | August 24, 2016 |
| Paper Reports to Districts | September 9, 2016 |

## ACT WorkKeys®
**Grade 11**

| | Paper/Pencil Administration | Online Administration |
|---|---|---|
| 2016 State Testing Window | March 2, 2016 | February 22 – March 18, 2016 |
| Make-up Testing Window | March 16, 2016 | |
| Accommodations Testing Window | March 2 – 16, 2016 | |

## ACCESS for ELLs® and Alternate ACCESS for ELLs®
**English Language Proficiency Assessments, Grades K-12**

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|---|---|
| Testing Window | February 2 – March 18, 2016 |

## South Carolina Palmetto Assessment of State Standards (SCPASS)
**Science and Social Studies, Grades 4-8**

| | Paper-Based Testing | Computer-Based Testing |
|---|---|---|
| Science | May 11 | May 11-May 27 |
| Social Studies | May 12 | May 11-May 27 |
| Make-Up Testing Window | Through May 19 | |

## South Carolina College and Career READY Assessments (SC READY)
**English Language Arts and Mathematics, Grades 3-8**

| | Paper-Based Testing | Computer-Based Testing |
|---|---|---|
| ELA Session 1 - Writing | April 26 | April 19-May 6 |
| ELA Session 1 - Reading | April 27 | April 19-May 6 |
| Mathematics | April 28 | April 19-May 6 |
| Make-Up Testing Window | Through May 6 | |

# Alternate Assessments

## South Carolina National Center and State Collaborative (SCNCSC) ELA and Mathematics, Ages 8–13 and 16

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|---|---|
| Testing Window | March 7–April 29, 2016 |

## South Carolina-Alternate Assessment (SC-Alt)
**Science and Social Studies, Ages 9–13; Biology, Age 16**

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|---|---|
| Testing Window | March 7–April 22, 2016 |

# Gifted and Talented Programs

## Cognitive Abilities Test (CogAT) and Iowa Assessments (IA)
**Grade 2**

*Administered as part of the process to identify students for the gifted and talented programs*

| | |
|---|---|
| Testing Window | October 21–November 11, 2015 |
| Reports to Districts | December 10, 2015 |
| CD ROM Data File to Districts | December 10, 2015 |
| Make-up Testing Window | January 14–21, 2016 |

## Performance Task Assessments

*Administered as part of the process to identify students for the gifted and talented programs*

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|---|---|
| Testing Window | February 16–March 3, 2016 |
| Reports to District | May 9, 2016 |

# National and International Assessments

## National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP)

*Districts were notified in June 2015 if schools in the district were selected to participate.*

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|---|---|
| NAEP testing window | January 25–March 4, 2016 |
| Only state-level results are available | |

## Program for International Student Assessment (PISA)

*Districts were notified in February 2015 if schools in the district were selected to participate.*

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|---|---|
| PISA testing window | October 5–November 13, 2015 |

## Progress in International Reading Literacy Study (PIRLS)

*Districts were notified in May 2015 if schools in the district were selected to participate.*

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|---|---|
| 2016 PIRLS testing window | March 1–May 27, 2016 |

# Assessments For Which Test Dates Have Not Yet Been Determined

## End-of-Course Assessments for Geometry and English 2

*These assessments will be administered beginning in spring 2016, if required for federal accountability. Test names and administration dates will be announced as soon as the procurement activities are finalized.*

## Summative Assessments for ELA and Mathematics

**Grade 11 (Grades 9 and 10, if funds are available)**

*Test names and administration dates will be announced as soon as the procurement activities are finalized.*