

# 2020–21 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 Dates:

Schools opening August 17-31, 2020	September 4, 2020
Schools opening September 1-17, 2020	September 18, 2020

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### 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 Dates:

Schools opening August 17-31, 2020	September 4, 2020
Schools opening September 1-17, 2020	September 18, 2020

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## Gifted and Talented Assessments

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

Precode Collection Date	September 13, 2020
Testing Window	October 12–16, 2020 (online only) October 19–November 13, 2020 (online and paper)
Make-up Testing Window	January 19–27, 2021
Pretest Webinars	September 22, 2020 10 am – 12 pm September 24, 2020 10 am – 12 pm
Data Manager Training Webinars	October 5, 2020 2:30 pm – 3:30 pm October 6, 2020 1:00 pm – 2:00 pm October 9, 2020 8:30 am – 9:30 am
Posttest Webinar	November 19, 2020 10 am – 12 pm
Data Files and Score Reports (paper)	December 15, 2020

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### Performance Task Assessments (PTA) – Grades 2-5

Testing Window	February 22–March 12, 2021
Make-Up Testing Window	March 15–March 29, 2021
Student Data Due to Contractor (C2)	January 11, 2021
PTC Training (New PTCs)	January 20, 2021 (face-to-face, if possible, otherwise a webinar)
TAMs Shipped to districts not attending New PTC Training	January 22, 2021
Test Booklets Shipped to Districts	February 12, 2021
Training for experienced DTCs/PTCs	January 27, 2021 (AM & PM webinar sessions)
Scoring Window	April 2, 2021–April 24, 2021



English Language Proficiency (ELP) Screener	Name of Training and Certification
WIDA Screener Paper	<b>Training:</b> WIDA Screener Paper <b>Quizzes:</b> ACCESS & Screener SPEAKING Quiz Grades 1-5 ACCESS & Screener SPEAKING Quiz Grades 6-12 Screener WRITING Quiz Grades 1-5 Screener WRITING Quiz Grades 6-12
WIDA MODEL Online	<b>Training:</b> All training is included in the online interface (TAI) <b>Quiz:</b> There is no certification quiz for WIDA MODEL
WIDA MODEL Paper	<b>Training:</b> All training is included in the paper kit <b>Quiz:</b> There is no certification quiz for WIDA MODEL

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

**For the 2020-21 school year only**, DTCs may select district test windows for all EOCEP subjects (Algebra 1, Biology 1, English 1 & 2 reading and writing, and USHC) that begin **no 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. For all tests, the district testing window may be scheduled to extend beyond the end of the semester or school year but may not extend beyond the closing of the state testing window.

**Fall/Winter 2020-21 State Test Window**                      November 30, 2020-February 10, 2021

Precode Collection	October 27, 2020
Technology Workshop Webinar	September 10, 2020
Pretest Workshop Webinar	October 20, 2020
Delivery of District Data Files	March 10, 2021
Paper Reports Delivered	March 31, 2021

**Spring 2021 State Test Window**                                      April 28, 2021-June 24, 2021

Precode Collection	March 22, 2021
Pretest Workshop Webinar	March
Delivery of District Data Files	TBD
Paper Reports Delivered	TBD

**Summer 2021 State Test Window**                                      June 28, 2021-July 30, 2021

## SC READY and SCPASS

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

Precode Print File to SCDE	November 30–January 14 (tentative)
Precode Update File to SCDE	February 22–March 1, 2021 (tentative)
Testing Window	<b>Online testing:</b> The last twenty school days as determined by the district’s instructional calendar  <b>Paper testing:</b> The first 10 days of each district’s twenty-day testing window as determined by the district’s instructional calendar.
Technology Workshop	September 10, 2020
Pretest Workshop	February 25, 2021
District data files and reports	July 2021 (posted online)
Paper reports to districts	July 2021

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## 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 2, Algebra 1, US History and the Constitution, & Biology)*

Testing Window	March 8–May 14, 2021
DTC-Alt Virtual Training	December 9, 2020
State data file	July 2021

## Grade 10 Assessments

Districts must offer one or more of the following tests: PSAT, Pre-ACT, or Aspire. Districts may choose any dates from the options provided by the publishers.

### PSAT/NMSQT

Primary Test Day	October 14, 2020
Saturday Test Day	October 17, 2020
Alternate Test Day	October 29, 2020 (Revised)
Alternate Test Day	January 26, 2021

Schools can administer the PSAT/NMSQT on multiple administration dates. For the PSAT/NMSQT, schools can administer the test on the primary test date (October 14) or the Saturday test date (October 17), **plus** the alternate test date (October 29 and January 16, 2021).

Online score reports are available to students in December 2020.

### 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.

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

Districts must administer the career readiness assessments to all 11<sup>th</sup> 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.

Since 9GR-18 students were not tested during their junior year, these grade twelve students have two testing options: 1) a fall test window scheduled October 19 –November 13, 2020; and, 2) March 1-26, 2021, the same testing window as the 11<sup>th</sup> grade students. Grade 12 students who test in the fall (2020) may retake one or more of the four career readiness tests in spring 2021. The October (fall) date is an online or paper format depending on the schools choice from spring 2020. In theory, all students that are testing in October should already be enrolled into the WIN CRSystem.

Precode Collection Date	September 15, 2020
<b>Test Windows:</b>	
12 <sup>th</sup> grade 9GR-18 (online & paper per spring 2020)	October 19-November 13, 2020
11 <sup>th</sup> grade students (9GR-19) and 9GR-18/senior retakes and seniors who are new students	March 1-March 26, 2021 (online) March 8-March 26, 2021 (paper)
Pretest Webinars - 12 <sup>th</sup> grade	September 17, 2020 Computer based: 9am – 11am Paper based: 1pm – 3pm
	September 23, 2020 Paper based: 9am – 11am Computer based: 1pm – 3pm
Pretest Webinars for DTCs	January 19: 2:00pm – 3:30pm January 21: 9:00am – 10:30am week of January 25 <sup>th</sup>
Possible Face-to-Face Meeting for DTCs	
Pretest Webinars (DTC, STC, TAs)	February 9 and 11 (am/pm sessions)
Posttest Administration Webinars	December 9, 2020 2pm-3pm December 10, 2020 9am-10am
District data files will be available	May 30, 2021

## College Entrance Assessments

Districts must offer all eleventh grade students the opportunity to take the ACT or the SAT 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 ACT, Inc. and College Board 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 2020 Paper Test Dates

Paper Test Dates	Online Test Dates	Accommodation Test Dates for Paper	Accommodation Test Dates for Online
September 22	N/A	TBD	N/A
October 6	N/A	TBD	N/A
October 20	N/A	TBD	N/A

Note: Schools can administer the ACT on multiple test administration dates. For example, one school can now choose to test  $\frac{1}{2}$  of its students on the initial test date (10/6) and the remaining  $\frac{1}{2}$  on the makeup test date (10/20).

#### ACT Spring 2021 Paper and Online Test Dates

Paper Test Dates	Online Test Dates	Accommodation Test Dates for Paper	Accommodation Test Dates for Online
February 23	February 23-25, March 2-4	February 23-26, March 1-5	February 23-25, March 2-4
March 23	March 23-25, March 30-31 and April 1	March 23-26, March 29-31, April 1-2	March 23-25, March 30-31 and April 1
April 20	April 20-22 and April 27-29	April 20-23 and April 26-30	April 20-22 and April 27-29

## SAT Test Dates

### Fall 2020 SAT Administrations

College Board has scheduled the following school day (SATSD) test dates for fourth year students who were not able to take the exam during spring 2020 due to test cancellations.

Test Dates	Make-Up Dates	Notes
September 23	October 27	NEW dates for fall 2020 due to impact of school closures
October 14	October 27	Coincides with primary PSAT/NMSQT dates (schools may need to consider proctor and space considerations)
October 27	No makeup	N/A

Schools can administer the SAT School Day on multiple administration dates. For SAT School Day, schools can now order for September 23, October 14, or both, and split their students across two administrations. Schools can use the October 27 makeup administration as an additional test date. If schools need to use the makeup date as another test date, they'll be able to order immediately following their primary administration.

### Spring 2021 SAT Administrations

Administration Dates	Make-up Dates
March 3, 2021	March 24, April 13, or April 27
March 24, 2021	April 13 or April 27
April 13, 2021	April 27
April 27, 2021	No make-up date for the April 27 Administration

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## National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP)

*District notification of sampled schools is scheduled for May 2020.*

Grade 4: Math, Reading, Math and Reading

Grade 8: Math, Reading, Math and Reading

NAEP 2021 testing window                      January 25, 2021-March 19, 2021