

MIAMI-DADE COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS
2025-2026 TESTING CALENDAR, GRADES PreK-12
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The calendar will be updated periodically as additional information is obtained about the District, state, national, and international tests administered to the students in Miami-Dade County Public Schools.

ADMINISTRATION WINDOW	DESCRIPTION	ABBREVIATION	PARTICIPANTS	MANDATE
July 14 - 25	<i>Florida Assessment of Student Thinking² Grade 10 English Language Arts Reading Retake</i>	FAST ELA RETAKE	Grades 10+, 11, 12, eligible	Federal and State
	<i>Benchmarks for Excellent Student Thinking: End-of-Course Assessments² Algebra 1</i>	B.E.S.T. EOC	Grades 9-12, eligible	
July 22 – 24	<i>Florida Assessment of Student Thinking² Summer Grade 3 English Language Arts Reading</i>	FAST: CAI Summer	Grade 3 ² retained	State ¹
August 14 – September 12	<i>HMH Read 180 MAP Growth Assessment and Code Assessment² (AP1)</i>	HMH Read 180	Grades 6-12 eligible ³	State
August 14 – September 12	<i>Achieve 3000 LevelSet Assessment² (AP1)</i>	Achieve 3000	Grades 6 -12 eligible ³	State
August 14 – September 19	<i>Interim Assessment Tests (Baseline): Science, Biology 1²</i>	BBA	Grades 5, 8, Grades 6-12 eligible	District
August 14 – September 26	<i>Florida Assessment of Student Thinking²: Progress Monitoring (PM)1 Reading</i>	FAST: Star	PreK	State
August 14 – September 26	<i>Florida Assessment of Student Thinking²: PM1 Reading Mathematics</i>	FAST: Star	K-2	State
August 14 – September 26	<i>Florida Assessment of Student Thinking²: PM1 Reading</i>	FAST: CAI	Grades 3 – 10	Federal and State
	<i>Mathematics</i>		Grades 3 – 8	
August 28 – December 19	<i>Fitness Pretest</i>	Fitness	Grades 2 - 12	District
September 8 – October 3	<i>Florida Assessment of Student Thinking Grade 10 English Language Arts Reading Retake²</i>	FAST ELA RETAKE	Grades 10+, 11, 12, eligible	Federal and State
	<i>Benchmarks for Excellent Student Thinking: End-of-Course Assessments² Algebra 1 and Geometry</i>	B.E.S.T. EOC	Grades 6-12, eligible	
	<i>Next Generation Sunshine State Standards End-of-Course Assessments² Biology 1, Civics, and US History</i>	NGSSS EOC		
September 15 – October 17	<i>i-Ready Diagnostic Test² Assessment Period (AP) 1</i>	i-Ready	Grades K-8 ³	State ¹
September 22 – October 10	<i>Florida Alternate Assessment – Performance Task⁴ Grade 10 ELA - Make up Algebra 1 EOC - Make up</i>	FAA	Grades 9-12, eligible	Federal and State
September 29 – November 13	<i>Cambridge Advanced International Certificate of Education Examinations</i>	AICE	Grades 10 -12, enrolled and registered	Internationally offered
October 1 – 31	<i>Preliminary SAT / National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test²</i>	PSAT / NMSQT	Grade 9, optional	Nationally Offered
			Grade 10	State
			Grade 11, 12 optional	Nationally Offered
October 1 – 31	<i>Preliminary SAT 8/9²</i>	PSAT 8/9	Grades 8 & 9, optional	Nationally Offered
October 24- November 14	<i>International Baccalaureate External Written Examinations</i>	IB	Grades 11-12, enrolled and registered	Internationally Offered
November 4 – December 19	<i>Florida Civic Literacy Exam²</i>	FCLE	Grade 9-12, enrolled	State
November 12 – 21	<i>Naglieri General Ability Test²</i>	NGAT	Grade 1	District

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December 1 – 19	<i>Florida Assessment of Student Thinking²</i> <i>Grade 10 English Language Arts Reading Retake</i>	FAST ELA RETAKE	Grades 10+, 11, 12, eligible	Federal and State
	<i>Benchmarks for Excellent Student Thinking: End-of-Course Assessments²</i> <i>Algebra 1 and Geometry</i>	B.E.S.T. EOC	Grades 6-12, eligible	
	<i>Next Generation Sunshine State Standards End-of-Course Assessments²</i> <i>Biology 1, Civics, and US History</i>	NGSSS EOC		
December 1 – January 23	<i>Florida Assessment of Student Thinking²: PM 2</i> <i>Reading</i> <i>Mathematics</i>	FAST: Star	K-2	State
December 1 – January 23	<i>Florida Assessment of Student Thinking²: PM 2</i> <i>Reading</i>	FAST: CAI	Grades 3 – 10	Federal and State
	<i>Mathematics</i>		Grades 3 – 8	
December 5 – February 11	<i>Florida Assessment of Student Thinking²: PM 2</i> <i>Reading</i>	FAST: Star	PreK	State
January 5 - 30	<i>HMH Read 180 MAP Growth Assessment and Code Assessment²</i> <i>(AP2)</i>	HMH Read 180	Grades 6-12 eligible ³	State
January 5 - 30	<i>Achieve 3000 LevelSet Assessment²</i> (AP2)	Achieve 3000	Grades 6 -12 eligible ³	State
January 5 – February 13	<i>Mid-Year Assessments²</i> <i>Algebra 1, Geometry</i>	MYA	Grades 6-12, EOC enrolled	District
January 12 – April 27	<i>Fitness Posttest</i>	Fitness	Grades 2 - 12	District
January 12 – March 13	<i>WIDA Accessing Comprehension and Communication in English State-to-State (ACCESS) for Kindergarten</i>	WIDA ACCESS for Kindergarten	Grade K, all current ELLs	Federal and State
	<i>WIDA ACCESS Online²</i>	WIDA ACCESS Online	Grades 1-12, all current ELLs	
	<i>WIDA Alternate ACCESS⁴</i>	WIDA Alternate ACCESS	Grades K-12, eligible ELLs	
January 20 – February 27	<i>Mid-Year Assessments</i> <i>Science, Biology 1², Civics², United States History²</i>	MYA	Grades 5, 8, EOC enrolled	District
January 20 – May 1	<i>Grade 3 Reading Student Portfolio</i>	GTRSP	Grade 3	State ¹
January 26 – March 20	<i>National Assessment of Educational Progress/ Trial Urban District Assessment</i>	NAEP/TUDA	Selected schools	Federal
January 26– February 20	<i>i-Ready Diagnostic Test² AP2</i>	i-Ready	Grades K-8 ³	State ¹
March 2 - April 17	<i>Florida Alternate Assessment Performance Task⁴</i> <i>English Language Arts and Mathematics</i>	FAA	Grades 3-8	Federal and State
	<i>Writing</i>		Grades 4-8	
	<i>Science</i>		Grade 5 and 8	
	<i>End-of-Course Assessment (Civics)</i>		Grade 7	
March 2 – 19	<i>Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT)²</i>	SAT	Grade 11 Grade 12, optional	State
March 9 – April 24	<i>Florida Alternate Assessment⁴</i> <i>English Language Arts</i>	FAA	Grade 9 and 10	Federal and State
	<i>Writing</i>		Grade 9 and 10	
	<i>End-of-Course Assessments: Algebra 1, Biology 1, Geometry, and U.S. History</i>		Grade 9-12, enrolled	
March 30 – April 10	<i>Benchmarks for Excellent Student Thinking: Writing Test²</i>	B.E.S.T Writing	Grades 4-10	Federal and State
March 30 – May 29	<i>Florida Civic Literacy Exam²</i>	FCLE	Grade 9-12, enrolled	State
April 1 – 24	<i>HMH Read 180 MAP Growth Assessment and Code Assessment²</i> <i>(AP3)</i>	HMH Read 180	Grades 6-12 eligible ³	State
April 1 – 24	<i>Achieve 3000 LevelSet Assessment²</i> (AP3)	Achieve 3000	Grades 6 -12eligible ³	State
April 13 – May 29	<i>Florida Assessment of Student Thinking²: PM 3</i> <i>Reading</i> <i>Mathematics</i>	FAST: Star	K-2	State

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April 24 – May 20	<i>International Baccalaureate External Written Examinations</i>	IB	Grades 11-12, enrolled and registered	Internationally Offered
April 23 – June 4	<i>Florida Assessment of Student Thinking²: PM 3 Reading</i>	FAST: Star	PreK	State
April 24 – June 8	<i>Cambridge Advanced International Certificate of Education Examinations</i>	AICE	Grades 10 -12, enrolled and registered	Internationally offered
May 1 – 29	<i>Florida Assessment of Student Thinking² Grade 10 English Language Arts Reading Retake</i>	FAST ELA RETAKE	Grades 10+, 11, 12, eligible	Federal and State
	<i>Benchmarks for Excellent Student Thinking: End-of-Course Assessments² Algebra 1</i>	B.E.S.T. EOC	Retake and Grades 6-12, enrolled	
	<i>Benchmarks for Excellent Student Thinking: End-of-Course Assessments² Geometry</i>		Grades 6-12, enrolled	
	<i>Next Generation Sunshine State Standards End-of-Course Assessments² Biology 1, Civics, and US History</i>	NGSSS EOC		
May 1 – 29	<i>Florida Assessment of Student Thinking²: PM 3 Reading</i>	FAST: CAI	Grades 3 – 10	Federal and State
	<i>Mathematics</i>		Grades 3 – 8	
May 1 – 29	<i>Statewide Science Assessments²</i>	Science	Grades 5 and 8	Federal and State
May 4 – 15	<i>Advanced Placement Exams</i>	AP	Grades 8-12, enrolled and registered	Nationally Offered
May 11 – 22	<i>Alternative Standardized Reading Assessment (i-Ready or ITBS)</i>	ASRA	Grade 3 ³	State ¹
July 13 - 17	<i>Florida Assessment of Student Thinking² Grade 10 English Language Arts Reading Retake</i>	FAST ELA RETAKE	Grades 10+, 11, 12, eligible	Federal and State
	<i>Benchmarks for Excellent Student Thinking: End-of-Course Assessments² Algebra 1</i>	B.E.S.T. EOC	Grades 9-12, eligible	
July 13 - 17	<i>Florida Assessment of Student Thinking² Grade 3 English Language Arts Reading</i>	FAST: CAI Summer	Grade 3 ² retained	State

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TESTS GIVEN ON AN AS-NEEDED BASIS			
DESCRIPTION	ABBREVIATION	PARTICIPANTS	MANDATE
<i>Aprenda La Prueba de los Logros en Español Segunda Edición</i> Placement decision for Gifted Program, Spanish-speaking ELLs	APRENDA	Grades K-12, <i>eligible (gifted placement)</i>	State
<i>Ages & Stages Questionnaire, Third Edition</i> Administered to Head Start/Early Head Start students within 45 calendar days of student entering program.	ASQ-3	Head Start/Early Head Start	Federal
<i>Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery (ASVAB)</i> Administered to students enrolled in Junior Reserve Officers' Training Corps (JROTC)	ASVAB	Grades 11-12	State
<i>COR Advantage (Initial)</i> Administered to ESE students within 30 calendar days of student entering PreK program. Administered March 1 – 15 for ESE students exiting the PreK program.	COR	PreK ESE	State
<i>Devereux Early Childhood Assessment for Preschoolers, Second Edition</i> Administered to Head Start students within 45 calendar days of student entering program.	DECA-P2	Head Start/Early Head Start	Federal
<i>Preschool Language Scales-5 Screening Test</i> Administered to Head Start students within 45 calendar days of student entering program.	PLS-5	Head Start/Early Head Start	Federal
<i>Florida Alternate Assessment (FAA) – Datafolio</i> Data Collection Periods: September - October 2025, November - December 2025, and February - March 2026	FAA	ESE, eligible ⁴	Federal and State
English Language Arts – Reading & Writing		Grades 3–10 ⁴	
Mathematics		Grades 3– 8 ⁴	
NGSSS Science		Grades 5 and 8 ⁴	
End-of-Course Assessments (Algebra 1, Biology 1, Civics, Geometry, U.S. History)		Grade 6-12 eligible enrolled ⁴	
<i>Industry Certification Examination</i> Federal or state regulatory agency-developed assessment instruments leading to licensure.	ICE	Grades 6-12, <i>eligible enrolled students</i>	Federal and State
<i>Miami-Dade County Oral Language Proficiency Scale Revised</i> Placement decisions for ESOL Exit ESOL Program (only if exiting KG via an ELL Committee prior to Spring administration of ACCESS for ELLs)	M-DCOLPS-R	Grade K, <i>eligible</i>	Federal and State
<i>WIDA Screener Online</i> Placement decisions for ESOL Extension of services for ESOL Program	WIDA Screener Online	Grades 1-12, <i>eligible</i>	Federal and State
<i>Florida's Postsecondary Education Readiness Test</i> <i>Dual Enrollment Placement</i>	PERT	Grades 9 – 12	State

- Notes:
- ¹ District-selected assessment to comply with state and/or federal mandate.
 - ² Designates computer-based testing only, with paper-based accommodations available for eligible students with disabilities.
 - ³ The following students must participate:
 - Grades K-8 i-Ready
 - AP1: i-Ready Reading and Mathematics, all students (including Algebra 1 and Geometry)
 - AP2: i-Ready Reading, all students; Mathematics all students; optional for those enrolled in Algebra or Geometry
 - AP3: i-Ready Reading, only eligible Grade 3 students as the Alternative Standardized Reading Assessment (ASRA)
 - Grades 6-12 HMH Read 180 MAP Growth Assessment and Code Assessment
 - AP1, AP2, and AP3: only FAST PM3 (2025) Level 1 and 2 and Retakers
 - Achieve 3000 LevelSet Assessment
 - Grades 6–10: AP1, AP2, AP3 — ESOL Levels 2–4 in Developmental Language Arts through ESOL
 - Grades 11–12: AP1, AP2, AP3 — ESOL Levels 1–4 in Developmental Language Arts through ESOL ⁴ Only includes ESE students exempted from standardized testing at these grade levels.

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SATURDAY COLLEGE ENTRANCE EXAMINATIONS¹ NATIONALLY OFFERED FOR INTERESTED, REGISTERED STUDENTS			
SAT and SAT Subject Test Dates²	ACT Test Dates²	CLT Test Dates³	
August 23, 2025	September 6, 2025	August 16, 2025	
September 13, 2025	October 18, 2025	October 11, 2025	
October 4, 2025	December 13, 2025	November 8, 2025	
November 8, 2025	February 14, 2026	January 24, 2026	
December 6, 2025	April 11, 2026	March 21, 2026	
March 14, 2026	June 13, 2026	May 16, 2026	
May 2, 2026	July 11, 2026		
June 6, 2026			
SCHOOL DAY ADMINISTRATION⁴ All administrations are College Reportable (CR) unless otherwise noted as Non-college reportable (NCR)			
SAT	ACT⁵	CLT	
October 1 – 31, 2025	October 14 – 24, 2025 (October 14, CR or October 14 – 24, NCR)	September 18, 2025	March 12, 2026
March 2 – 19, 2026 ⁶	October 28 – November 7, 2025 (Oct. 28, CR or Oct. 28 – Nov. 7, NCR)	October 22, 2025 ⁹	April 16, 2026
April 1 – 17, 2026 ⁷	March 10 – 19, 2026 (March 10, CR or March 10 - 20, NCR)	December 3, 2025	June 11, 2026
	April 7 – 17, 2026 (April 7, CR or April 7 – 17, NCR)	February 19, 2026	

¹Please note that the inclusion of an exam in this list does not guarantee its acceptance by all colleges and universities. It is advisable to check with the desired institution to determine if they accept a specific exam as part of their application process.

²SAT Sunday administrations usually occur the day after each Saturday test date for students who cannot test on Saturday due to religious observance.

³Remotely proctored administration.

⁴Optional School Day administration opportunities. Schools are responsible for all test fees, unless otherwise noted.

⁵Per ACT policy, schools may only participate in one ACT School Day administration per semester. In the selected window, either College Reportable or Non-college reportable administration may be offered. Schools may not offer both during the same window.

⁶Statewide administration for all 11th Grade students (funded by FLDOE); optional for 12th Grade students.

⁷Non-College reportable administration for seniors only. Schools are responsible for all test fees

⁸Non-college reportable administration. District-funded for traditional MDCPS schools.

⁹District-funded administration for MDCPS schools. Eligible seniors will test on October 22 and eligible juniors will test October 23.