

Wisconsin Statewide Assessment System

Forward Exam

Students in Grades 3-8 take the Forward Exam online in English language arts (ELA) and mathematics, in science at 4 and 8, and social studies at grades 4, 8, and 10.

March 22 – May 14, 2021

Forward – ELA and Mathematics Grades 3-8, Science Grades 4 and 8, Social Studies Grades 4, 8, and 10

ACT Aspire®

ACT Aspire™ assesses students in grades 9 and 10 for readiness in English, mathematics, reading, science, and writing. These scores predict future ACT scores.

April 5 – May 19, 2021

ACT Aspire Grades 9-10

The ACT® with writing

The ACT with writing is administered to students in grade 11 and consists of four multiple-choice tests: English, mathematics, reading, and science, and a 40-minute essay test that measures writing skills. The ACT can be used for college enrollment, scholarships, and NCAA eligibility requirements.

March 9 – 23, 2021

March 9 - The ACT with writing

March 9-19 - The ACT with writing for Students Testing with Accommodations

March 23 - The ACT with writing Testing Window 2

Dynamic Learning Maps (DLM)

DLM assesses the academic progress of students with significant cognitive disabilities. It is administered online in grades 3-11 for English language arts and mathematics, grades 4 and 8-11 for science, and grades 4, 8, and 10 for social studies.

March 22 – May 14, 2021

DLM – ELA and Mathematics Grades 3-11, Science Grades 4 and 8-11, and Social Studies Grades 4, 8, and 10

Additional Statewide Assessments

ACCESS for ELLs®

ACCESS for ELLs is an online assessment system that measures the English language proficiency (ELP) of English learners (ELs) in Grades K- 12. This assessment allows educators, students, and families to monitor students' progress in acquiring academic English in the domains of speaking, listening, reading, and writing.

Alternate ACCESS for ELLs™

The Alternate ACCESS for ELLs is an ELP assessment. It's administered in the four language domains of listening, reading, speaking, and writing for students in grades 1-12 identified as ELLs who have significant cognitive disabilities.

February 22, 2021 – May 21, 2021

ACCESS for ELLs and Alternate ACCESS for ELLs

National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP)

NAEP is also known as the Nation's Report Card and is used to compare student performance between states and over time. Each year different schools and students are sampled to participate in this test, which includes grades 4 and 8 reading and mathematics. Grade 12 testing and additional subject areas are also often included.

NAEP 2021 has been postponed to NAEP 2022 due to COVID-19.