



2024-2025 DCSD HIGH SCHOOL ASSESSMENT CALENDAR



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District or State Mandated	Testing Window	Assessment	Participants/Brief Description	Parents/Students Informed of Results
District-Mandated	Aug. 19 – 30, 2024 (Fall) Nov. 11 – 22, 2024 (Winter) Mar. 17 – 28, 2024 (Spring)	MAP Assessment	The NWEA MAP (Measures of Academic Progress) test is an adaptive achievement and growth test. It creates a personalized assessment experience by adapting to each student’s learning level. The MAP Growth assessment is given to students in grades K-10 at the beginning, middle, and end of the school year.	Within two weeks of the assessment window closing
State-Mandated	Aug. 19 – 23, 2024	EOC August Mid-Month	Georgia Milestones EOC Mid-Months administrations are for students who need to make-up a previous administration of the Georgia Milestone EOC, students who have completed an EOC course (mid-semester), or students who wish to test-out of an EOC course.	Following certification of preliminary scores from the state of Georgia, typically one month after administration
District-Mandated	Aug. 26 – Sept. 6, 2024 Sept. 30 – Oct. 11, 2024 Nov. 4 – 15, 2024 Jan. 27 – Feb. 7, 2025 Mar. 3 – 14, 2025 Mar. 31 – Apr. 4, 2025	District Benchmarks (Block)	The District Benchmarks are Georgia Milestone readiness assessments for students in grades 1-8 and high school students enrolled in American Lit, Algebra, Biology, and US History. The assessment measures student progress towards mastering the content standards over time. Teachers use test results to identify student strengths and weaknesses, then plan future lessons accordingly to address student learning needs.	Within one week of the assessment window closing
State Compliance for State Funded Programs	Sept. 1 – Oct. 4, 2024 Feb. 1 – Mar. 7, 2025	CogAT, Naglieri, ITBS, Torrance Abilities Test	CogAT, Naglieri, ITBS, and Torrance Abilities Tests are administered for gifted identification. Students in grades K-11 who scored 90% or higher in reading and/or math on the MAP assessment are eligible for further evaluation for the Gifted program.	Each district grading cycle
District Mandated	Sept. 16 – 27, 2024 Dec. 2 – 13, 2024 Mar. 3 – 14, 2024	District Benchmarks (Traditional)	The District Benchmarks are Georgia Milestone readiness assessments for students in grades 1-8 and high school students enrolled in American Lit, Algebra, Biology, and US History. The assessment measures student progress towards mastering the content standards over time. Teachers use test results to identify student strengths and weaknesses, then plan future lessons accordingly to address student learning needs.	Within one week of the assessment window closing



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State-Mandated	Sept. 16 – 20, 2024	EOC September Mid-Month	Georgia Milestones EOC Mid-Months administrations are for students who need to make-up a previous administration of the Georgia Milestone EOC, students who have completed an EOC course (mid-semester), or students who wish to test-out of an EOC course.	Following certification of preliminary scores from the state of Georgia, typically one month after administration
State Compliance for state funded programs	Oct. 1 – 11, 2024	Renzulli	The Renzulli is a scholastic assessment used to identify students for gifted and talented programs by assessing them in motivation and creativity. It is administered by a teacher who knows the child well. The teacher rates specific gifted behaviors that they have observed over time. Students that meet 90% or higher in both creativity and motivation will be administered the CogAT.	Each district grading cycle
National Assessment	Oct. 7, 2024 – Mar. 14, 2025	NAEP Assessment	The NAEP assessment measures what students in the United States know and can do in various subjects. It is administered by the National Center for Education Statistics, within the U.S. Department of Education.	N/A – Released as The Nation’s Report Card
State-Mandated	Oct. 7 – 11, 2024	EOC October Mid-Month	Georgia Milestones EOC Mid-Months administrations are for students who need to make-up a previous administration of the Georgia Milestone EOC, students who have completed an EOC course (mid-semester), or students who wish to test-out of an EOC course. This administration must not be used for Test-Outs.	Following certification of preliminary scores from the state of Georgia, typically one month after administration
State-Mandated	Oct. 23, 2024	PSAT/NMSQT	The Preliminary SAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test (PSAT/NMSQT) is structured similarly to the SAT, has the same sections and timing, and measures the same Reading and Writing and Math skills students learn in the classroom—the knowledge and skills students need to succeed in college and careers.	Approximately two months after the administration
District-Mandated	Oct. – Nov 2024 (TBA) Apr. 25 – May 21, 2025	International Baccalaureate (IB)	The International Baccalaureate (IB) assesses student work as direct evidence of achievement against the stated goals of the Diploma Program (DP) courses.	Mid-December for November exams Mid-July for May exams



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State-Mandated	Nov. 4 – 8, 2024	EOC November Mid-Month	Georgia Milestones EOC Mid-Months administrations are for students who need to make-up a previous administration of the Georgia Milestone EOC or for students who have completed an EOC course (mid-semester). This administration must not be used for Test-Outs.	Following certification of preliminary scores from the state of Georgia, typically one month after administration
District-Mandated	Nov. 11 – 22, 2024 Mar. 17 – 28, 2025	LAS LINKS	LAS Links is an assessment that monitors the English Language development of Intensive English students in grades 4-12. The assessment includes 4 subtests: reading, listening, writing, and speaking. Students who score a 2.0 or higher will transition to the general ESOL program.	Approximately two weeks after administration
State-Mandated	Nov. 11 – 22, 2024 (Block) Apr. 14 – 24, 2025	CTAE EOPA	End-of-Pathway Assessments (EOPAs) are assessments that students take in the final level class of their CTAE pathway. The State of Georgia requires these assessments in response to Perkins IV Legislation, which dictates that states must implement a valid and reliable assessment model linked directly to industry standards.	Within 10 days
State-Mandated	Dec. 4 – 12, 2024	Winter Georgia Milestone End-of-Course (EOC)	The Georgia Milestones EOC is a comprehensive summative assessment designed to send consistent signals about students' preparedness in for the next level, be it the next grade, course, or endeavor, such as entering college or beginning a career after leaving the K-12 educational system. This administration must not be used for Test-Out or Retests.	Following certification of preliminary scores from the state of Georgia, typically early February
State-Mandated	Dec. 17 – 19, 2024 (Block) May 5 – 7, 2025	CTAE EOPA Retest	To provide pathway completers with an additional opportunity to earn a credential before leaving high school, students are offered a retest opportunity whose first attempt at passing an EOPA was not successful.	Within 10 days



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State-Mandated	Jan. 8 – Feb. 28, 2025	ACCESS/Alternate ACCESS for ELLs	ACCESS for ELLs (ACCESS) is an English language proficiency (ELP) assessment. It is administered in the four language domains of listening, reading, speaking, and writing for students in grades 1-12 identified as English learners (ELs). The Alternate ACCESS for ELLs is administered to ELLs who have significant cognitive disabilities. It is intended for ELLs who participate, or who would be likely to participate, in the state’s alternate content assessment (GAA).	Late May 2025
State-Mandated	Jan. 21 – 24, 2025	EOC January Mid-Month	Georgia Milestones EOC Mid-Months administrations are for students who need to make-up a previous administration of the Georgia Milestone EOC, students who have completed an EOC course (mid-semester), or students who wish to test-out of an EOC course. This administration must not be used for Test-Outs.	Following certification of preliminary scores from the state of Georgia, typically one month after administration
State-Mandated	Feb. 10 – 14, 2025	EOC February Mid-Month	Georgia Milestones EOC Mid-Months administrations are for students who need to make-up a previous administration of the Georgia Milestone EOC, students who have completed an EOC course (mid-semester), or students who wish to test-out of an EOC course. This administration must not be used for Test-Outs.	Following certification of preliminary scores from the state of Georgia, typically one month after administration
State-Mandated	Mar. 10 – 14, 2025	EOC March Mid-Month	Georgia Milestones EOC Mid-Months administrations are for students who need to make-up a previous administration of the Georgia Milestone EOC, students who have completed an EOC course (mid-semester), or students who wish to test-out of an EOC course.	Following certification of preliminary scores from the state of Georgia, typically one month after administration



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State-Mandated	Mar. 24 – Apr. 25, 2025	Georgia Alternate Assessment (GAA)	The Georgia Alternate Assessment 2.0 (GAA 2.0) is designed to ensure that students with significant cognitive disabilities are provided access to the state academic content standards and given the opportunity to demonstrate achievement of the knowledge, concepts, and skills inherent in the standards in ELA, math, science, and social studies. Students in grade 11 who qualify based on the state eligibility criteria must take the GAA.	Following certification of preliminary scores from the state of Georgia, typically early June
State-Mandated	Apr. 23 – May 2, 2025	Spring Georgia Milestone End-of-Course (EOC)	Georgia Milestones End of Course assessment measures how well students have learned the knowledge and skills outlined in the state-adopted content standards in English language arts, math, science, and social studies. The end-of-course measures are administered at the completion of the course, regardless of the grade level. This administration must not be used for Test-Outs or Retests.	Following certification of preliminary scores from the state of Georgia, typically late June
State and District-Mandated	May 5 – 16, 2025	Advanced Placement (AP)	Advanced Placement (AP) examinations are exams offered in United States by the College Board and are taken each May by students enrolled in AP courses. The tests are the culmination of year-long Advanced Placement (AP) courses, which are offered at the high school level.	Mid-July
State-Mandated	June 23 – 26, 2025	Summer Georgia Milestone End-of-Course (EOC)	Georgia Milestones End of Course assessment measures how well students have learned the knowledge and skills outlined in the state-adopted content standards in English language arts, math, science, and social studies. The end-of-course measures are administered at the completion of the course, regardless of the grade level.	Following certification of preliminary scores from the state of Georgia, typically early August