

2025-2026 Statewide Testing Calendar

		Testing Window			Testing Population		Vendor
Test Name	Details	Start Date	Finish Date	Maximum Duration in Minutes	Grade Levels	Include Retesters	
Kindergarten Readiness Assessment (KRA)	Beginning of Year (BOY)	7/21/2025	9/19/2025	Varies	PK-K	No	Renaissance Learning
	Middle of Year (MOY)	11/17/2025	12/19/2025	Varies	PK-K	Yes	
	End of Year (EOY)	4/20/2026	5/15/2026	Varies	PK-K	Yes	
3rd Grade MS Academic Assessment Program ELA	Initial	4/6/2026	4/17/2026†	180	3	Yes	DRC
3rd Grade Reading Alternative Assessment	1st Retest	5/11/2026	5/15/2026	180	3	Yes	
3rd Grade Reading Alternative Assessment	2nd Retest	6/22/2026	6/26/2026	180	3	Yes	
MS Academic Assessment Program (MAAP) for Algebra I, Biology, English II & Algebra 1	Fall	12/1/2025	12/19/2025	180-270*	Algebra I, Biology, English II	Yes	
MS Academic Assessment Program (MAAP) for Graduating Seniors/Early Graduates	Spring***	4/6/2026	4/17/2026**	180-270*	Algebra I, Biology, English II	Yes	
MS Academic Assessment Program (MAAP) for Algebra I, Biology, English II; Grades 3-8 ELA, Math; & Grades 5 & 8 Science		4/27/2026	5/15/2026	180-270*	Algebra I, Biology, English II; Grades 3-8 ELA & Math, Grades 5 & 8 Science	EOC	
Special Populations							
MS Academic Assessment Program - Alternate (MAAP-A)	Fall Retest/4x4 block	12/1/2025	12/12/2025	Untimed	SCD HS EOC	Yes	DRC
	ELA & Math	3/9/2026	5/1/2026	Untimed	SCD 3-8, HS EOC	EOC	
	Science	3/9/2026	5/1/2026	Untimed	SCD 5, 8, HS EOC	EOC	
English Language Proficiency Test (ELPT)	English Learners	3/2/2026	4/15/2026	Untimed	K - 12	No	CAI

Key: TBD = To be determined

† **Grade 3 ELA UPDATE**: Beginning with the 2025-2026 school year, both grade 3 ELA sessions should be administered in the initial grade 3 window (4/6/26 - 4/17/26) to receive scores for retest assignments. The initial grade 3 reading and writing may only be given during the regular window (4/27-26 - 5/15/26) for extenuating circumstances (i.e. transfer students, medical emergencies, etc.) Please see K-3 Assessment Key Dates document for further information on all dates related to the Literacy-Based Promotion Act.

* Testing Times: ELA Session 1 (180 minutes) and 2 (90 minutes) will be 270 minutes total. Math only has 1 session (180 minutes). For some students with accommodations, testing days may vary from a minimum of one (1) day to a maximum of three (3) days.

**Date shown is the ending date to receive early scores for graduating seniors/early graduates taking EOC Algebra I, Biology, and English II. Note: Graduating senior/early graduate English II students should complete both sessions during the early test window (4/6/26 - 4/17/26).

***Mardi Gras is February 17, 2026; Easter is April 5, 2026; Spring Break typically will be March 9-13, 2026; Coastal Spring Break varies during March, April.

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National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP) <i>Selected Schools by U.S. Dept of Education</i>	Test Window-Reading, Mathematics, Civics, & US History	1/26/2026	3/20/2026	120	4, 8, 12	No	NAEP
ACT [‡] -11th grade students ONLY - one (1) administration per student. <i>MS Students will take all four tests (English, mathematics, reading, and science).</i>	Test Window 1 - Paper	2/24/2026	2/24/2026	165	11	No	ACT
	Test Window 1 - Accommodations	2/24/2026	3/6/2026	Varies	11	No	
	Test 1 - Online	2/24/2026	3/6/2026	165	11	No	
	Test Window 2 - Paper	3/24/2026	3/24/2026	165	11	No	
	Test Window 2 - Accommodations	3/24/2026	4/3/2026	Varies	11	No	
	Test Window 2 - Online	3/24/2026	4/3/2026	165	11	No	
	Test Window 3 - Paper	4/21/2026	4/21/2026	165	11	No	
	Test Window 3 - Accommodations	4/21/2026	5/1/2026	Varies	11	No	
ACT WorkKeys	Test Window 3 - Online	4/21/2026	5/1/2026	165	11	No	ACT WorkKeys
	Fall - Online	10/20/2025	12/5/2025	165	10 - 12	No	
	Fall - Paper	10/27/2025	11/21/2025	165	10 - 12	No	
	Spring - Online	3/2/2026	4/17/2026	165	10 - 12	No	
	Spring - Paper	3/2/2026	3/27/2026	165	10 - 12	No	

[‡] ACT Accommodations Request: All requests, including appeals, must be submitted by **ACT's established deadline** outlined in their Schedule of Events. If requests are not properly submitted, they may not be approved in time for the preferred test date. The Accommodations Request Window is located on the ACT Now: Mississippi website under Request Accommodations. <https://www.act.org/content/act/en/products-and-services/state-and-district-solutions/mississippi/ACT-Now.html>