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Test	Description	Dates	Population	Reports
Aimswweb Universal Screener	Aimswweb®Plus screens and monitors the reading skills of PreK–8 students. With its robust set of standards-aligned measures, AimswwebPlus is proven to uncover learning gaps quickly, identify at-risk students, and assess individual and classroom growth. AIMS will be used to determine needed interventions, track progress, and increase student opportunities to meet annual achievement requirements.	August 17-21 December 1-9 April 26-May 7	Grades PK-8	Reports covered at Parent Teacher Conferences
MSAA Alternative Assessment	The Multi-State Alternate Assessment (MSAA) are assessments in English language arts (ELA) and mathematics designed for students with significant cognitive disabilities in grades 3–8 and grade 11. The MSAA measures student mastery of the Tennessee Academic Standards. While the MSAA covers grade-level content standards at a simplified level.	Sept 14-Dec 18	Special Education students who qualify	Reports sent to parents via TCAP portal and printed report.

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Mastery Connect Predictive Assessments	Cumulative assessment given as a check-point to gauge students' understanding. Questions used are standards-aligned, provided by TDOE. Each grade will take the same check-point. Data collected will be used to drive future instruction or re-teaching.	August 24-September 3	2nd-12th	Data used for instruction and alignment.
PSAT	The PSAT is designed to help prime students before they take the SAT. It is also used as the qualifying test to identify National Merit Scholars and determine the recipients of National Merit scholarship money.	Oct 22	Juniors	Reports sent via PSAT
ACT	The ACT is an entrance exam used by most colleges and universities to make admissions decisions. It is a multiple-choice, digital test administered by ACT, Inc. The purpose of the ACT test is to measure a high school student's readiness for college, and provide colleges with one common data point that can be used to compare all applicants.	Oct 13-HS October 27-FCHS April-1	Juniors Seniors	Reports sent through ACT

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ASVAB (Juniors only)	The Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery (ASVAB) is a heavily researched and well-respected aptitude test developed by the Department of Defense. It measures a young adult's strengths and potential for success in military training and the workforce.	Sept. 15	Juniors	Reports sent via ASVAB
EOC	The EOC tests are designed to assess true student understanding of a subject matter and not just basic memorization and test-taking skills. EOC measures student understanding of our state standards. TCAP EOC assessments are given to help measure how much a student grows academically in a particular content area.	Dec 30-Dec 17 April 19-May 6	9-12	Reports sent through state TCAP portal
ELPA 21	Educators use ELPA21 results, along with other ELPA resources, to make decisions about students' English academic language and to facilitate their language development.	Feb 1- March 26	EL students	Reports sent to parents through ELPA platform
TCAP-ALT (Science)	TCAP Alternate (TCAP-Alt) are	March 15-April 30	Special Ed students who	Report sent through state

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and Social Studies)	assessments in science and social studies designed for students with the most significant cognitive disabilities in grades 3–8 and grade 10 and measure student mastery of the Tennessee Academic Standards. While the TCAP-Alt covers grade-level standards at a simplified level, it also includes many built-in supports, modified materials, and accommodations. The TCAPAlt was developed by Tennessee educators who ensured the assessment questions were aligned to standards and accessible to students with the most significant disabilities.		qualify on IEP	portal.
TCAP Grades 3-8	Provides feedback about students' academic progress and how it aligns with grade-level expectations Gives parents and teachers a big-picture perspective about how a student is progressing compared to peers across the district and state, including a student's strengths and growth opportunities Build confidence and	April 7- May 6	All 3-8 students	Reports sent through state and TCAP Family Portal.

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	transparency about students' readiness for postsecondary and the workforce among Tennessee colleges, universities, and employers. TCAP helps educators strengthen instruction and reflect on their practice while holding us accountable to serving all students fairly.			
AP Exams	AP tests are college-level exams on specific subjects and are administered in May upon the completion of an AP course taken at the students' school. A high enough score will earn the student college credit.	May 4-13	AP students in 9-12	Parent report provided by AP tests.