



# BCSD 23-24 Assessment Schedule

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The Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) requires that all school districts provide transparency in regards to how their learners are assessed. In compliance with ESSA, as well as State and Federal Department of Education mandates, Bennett County School District has made the following list of assessments, their purpose, and approximate time frame. The results of any and all assessments administered by the Bennett County School District and its staff can be made available to parents/guardians upon request and, when applicable, will be sent home in the form of a score report in a timely manner. Please note that not every learner takes every assessment listed below. Any questions regarding assessments can be directed to your child's building principal using the contact information listed above.

ASSESSMENT, SUBJECT, AND TIME	PURPOSE	GRADE(S)	TESTING WINDOW	SOURCE OF REQUIREMENT	REPORTING RESULTS
<b><u>South Dakota State Assessment</u></b> for English, Language Arts, and Math ( 7 hours)	Official South Dakota Standardized Assessment for ELA and Math Proficiency	3-8, 11	March/April - for specific dates in each building, contact the building principal - notes will be sent home for testing dates	SD DOE	Sent home once available or upon request
<b><u>SD Interim Assessments</u></b> for English Language Arts and Math (variable testing time)	Monitor growth and achievement according to specific learning goals and academic standards.	3-8, 11	Throughout the school year	BCSD	Available upon request
<b><u>MSAA Assessment</u></b> for English Language Arts and Math (variable testing time)	Official South Dakota Alternate Standardized Assessment for ELA and Math Proficiency for learners with special needs	3-8, 11	March/April – for specific dates in each building, contact the building principal - notes will be sent home for testing dates	SD DOE	Sent home once available or upon request
<b><u>South Dakota Science Assessment and South Dakota Science Alternative Assessment</u></b> (for learners with special needs) (approximately 2-3 hours)	Official South Dakota Standardized Assessment for Science Proficiency	5, 8, 11	March/April – for specific dates in each building, contact the building principal - notes will be sent home for testing dates	SD DOE	Sent home once available or upon request

<b>RenLearn STAR</b> Assessments in Reading, Language Usage, Math (.5 to 1 hour)	District, Building, and Classroom - level monitoring of both proficiency and growth for data-driven instructional practices.	Reading, Language Usage, Math K-12	Tri-Annually: Aug/Sep; Dec/Jan; May	Elementary - BCMS - BCHS	Sent home once available or upon request
<b>National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP)</b> in Math and Reading (approximately 2-3 hours)	Anonymous assessment of progress by the US Department of Education.	4, 8, 12; if applicable (BCSD is not always selected for testing)	Variable - will occur once during the school year, if at all.	SD DOE and Federal DOE	N/A
<b>In-Classroom Assessments</b> (variable testing time)	Local formative and summative progress monitoring	PK-12	Daily	BCSD	Communicated by teacher once available or upon request
<b>ACT Assessment</b> (optional; approximately 3 -4 hours )	College Entrance Requirement	Optional (typically 11 -12)	Bi -Monthly – see <a href="http://www.act.org">www.act.org</a> for test dates.	N/A	Provided by ACT Inc once available
<b>PSAT Assessment</b> (optional; approximately 3 -4 hours )	National Merit Scholarship Eligibility; Proficiency Assessment	Optional (typically 10 -11)	October	N/A	Provided by College Board once available
<b>SAT Assessment</b> (optional; approximately 3 -4 hours )	College Entrance Requirement	Optional (typically 11 -12)	7 times per year – see the College Board website for test dates.	N/A	Provided by College Board once available
<b>Accuplacer</b> (optional; variable testing time)	College/Tech Entrance Requirement	Optional (typically 11 -12)	Any Time	N/A	Provided by College Board once available
<b>ASVAB</b> (optional; approximately 3 hours)	Military Aptitude/Entrance Requirement	12	On -Site in October; Can be administered any time through a recruitment office	N/A	Provided by Testing Institute once available

Federal law requires that tests and testing dates be posted on school websites where families and the general public can easily find them. This includes state assessments for all content areas, ACCESS, and district benchmark assessments (i.e. SD Interim Assessments, MAP, AimsWeb, DIBELS, etc.)