

West Virginia General Summative Assessment (WVGSA)

Subject(s) Assessed

English language arts (ELA), including writing, and mathematics in Grades 3-8 at grade level; Science in Grades 5 and 8 as grade-band tests.

Purpose of the Assessment

This assessment measures student performance on the state's content standards. The results give students, teachers, and families meaningful information on what students know and can do, and how well they are progressing toward college and career readiness.

Requirement for the Assessment

Federal: Public Law 114-95, Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA) of 1965, as amended by the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) 2015

State: West Virginia Constitution, Article XII, §18-2E-2, and West Virginia Board of Education Policy 2340 West Virginia Measures of Academic Progress

Amount of Time to Complete the Assessment

The WVGSA is an untimed test that takes approximately 2 hours for each content test session. The ELA test consists of two sessions, including one session that consists of an extended writing task.

Scheduled Assessment Window

The WVGSA is administered in the spring of each year. The state establishes a statewide testing window, and each county then determines a county-wide testing window and a testing schedule for each school within the district. For spring 2025, the statewide testing window April 7-May 23, 2025.

Time and Format for Dissemination of Results

Testing results start appearing in the Cambium Reporting System on a rolling basis at the end of April. Scores for ELA, math, and science should appear very soon after a test is completed. County and school personnel can access these results and analyze data at the county and school level. Parents will have access to individual student results in an online family portal.

SAT School Day

Subject(s) Assessed

Grade 11 students take the following test components: Reading/Writing Test and Math Test, including science-related items that produce a science score.

Purpose of the Assessment

The SAT School Day is a nationally recognized college- and career-readiness assessment administered by the College Board and is accepted at colleges and universities throughout West Virginia and the nation for both college admissions and placement. SAT School Day also can be used to qualify for the Promise Scholarship. It is administered online.

Requirement for the Assessment

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State: West Virginia Constitution, Article XII, §18-2E-2, and West Virginia Board of Education Policy 2340 West Virginia Measures of Academic Progress

English Language Proficiency Assessment for the 21st Century (ELPA21)/Alternate English Language Proficiency Assessment (Alt-ELPA)

Subject(s) Assessed

4 Domains of English Language Proficiency – Speaking, Listening, Writing, and Reading in Grades K-12

Purpose of the Assessment

The ELPA21 is a summative English Language Proficiency assessment to measure identified domains of English proficiency for students identified as English Learners in Grades K-12.

Requirement for the Assessment

Federal: Public Law 114-95, Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA) of 1965, as amended by the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) 2015.

State: West Virginia Constitution, Article XII, §18-2E-2, and West Virginia Board of Education Policy 2340 West Virginia Measures of Academic Progress

Amount of Time to Complete the Assessment

ELPA21 is an untimed assessment and approximate test time for all 4 domains varies by grade levels as follows: grades K-1 about 69 minutes; grades 2-3 about 63 minutes; grades 4-5 about 91 minutes; grades 6-8 about 128 minutes; and grades 9-12 about 155 minutes

The ELPA21 is administered in the spring of each year. The state establishes a statewide testing window, and each district then determines a district-wide testing window and a testing schedule for each school within the district. For spring 2025, the statewide testing window is February 4, 2025 - March 14, 2025.

Time and Format for Dissemination of Results

Individual Student Results will be available to the district by mid-May 2025. The district will print the reports and provide them to parents by the end of the 2024-2025 school year.

State-Required Progress Monitoring Benchmarks/Screeners

Subject(s) Assessed

Requirement for the Assessment

State: West Virginia Constitution, Article XII, §18-2E-10 and §18-20-10

Amount of Time to Complete the Assessment

The U.S. History exam is untimed and takes approximately 45 minutes to complete.

Scheduled Assessment Window

The U.S. history exam is administered at the end of AP U.S. History, U.S. Comprehensive, or Contemporary Studies. In a block schedule, this would be in January-December. For a period schedule, the exam is administered April-June. These exams take place within the regularly scheduled course.

Time and Format for Dissemination of Results

The U.S. History results are reported in the online Social Studies Assessment Monitoring tool accessed by county superintendents, directors, and school principals. Local districts decide when and how to report the results to students from the portal.

State-Required Social Studies Assessments High School Civics

Subject(s) Assessed

High School Civics

Purpose of the Assessment

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Additional Assessments Offered by State

West Virginia Modules

Subject(s) Assessed

English language arts (ELA) and mathematics in Grades 3-8

Purpose of the Assessment

The Modules are short assessments measuring “chunks” of related content. Most Modules have at least two forms available and are available to allow all the content for the school year to be assessed. Modules provide data teachers can use to plan or adjust instruction throughout the year to address any weaknesses in targeted areas.

Requirement for the Assessment

Optional – Counties and schools may – but are not required to – administer the Modules. Some counties may require these assessments on a county level.

Amount of Time to Complete the Assessment

The Modules are untimed tests with 5-20 questions; time to complete will vary.

Scheduled Assessment Window

Counties decide when the Modules are administered.

Time and Format for Dissemination of Results

Results begin appearing in the Cambium Reporting System immediately after students have completed the assessment. County and school personnel can access these results and analyze data at the county, school, classroom roster, and individual student level.

Counties

the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) 2015

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Amount of Time to Complete the Assessment

45 mins

Scheduled Assessment Window

Essay 2/20/2024

Online 3/6/2024

CCS 3/6/2024

Time and Format for Dissemination of Results

No results are given. WVDE only notifies winners typically in May.