



February Newsletter Office of Curriculum & Instruction

State Assessment season is just around the corner for students in Wisconsin! The information below will provide you with some general information regarding assessment planning for the various grade levels throughout the SDWD. Despite all of the current challenges put forth by the pandemic, federal law still requires states and school districts to move forward with state assessments. Unlike i-Ready (K-8), students WILL NOT be permitted to take state assessments virtually. School principals and counselors will be contacting those families who have chosen the virtual option for this school year to coordinate and organize dates for virtual students to safely come into our school buildings and participate in required state assessments.

Please note that all dates and information (like everything else lately) could change on a whim but as of the end of January, the information below gives families an idea of range of dates for various assessments. There are many different variables this year that are difficult to plan for so our administrative team continues to work to solidify dates. All Wisconsin Forward Assessment date ranges should be considered tentative. Future correspondence will continue to be provided as things get firmed up:

Date (s)	Grade Level	Assessment
February 22-April 30	Grades K-12	ACCESS Assessment for English Learners
March 9	Grade 11	ACT Statewide Assessment (Score Can Be Used for College Applications)
March 23	Grade 11	ACT Makeup Date
March 22-26	Grade 10	Wisconsin Forward Exam for Social Studies
March 22-May 19	Grades 3-11	Dynamic Learning Maps (DLM) for students with significant cognitive disabilities
April 5-May 19	Grades 9-10	ACT Aspire Early High School Exam
April 12- May 10	Grades 3-8	Wisconsin Forward Exam for ELA, Math (Grades 3-8), Science, Social Studies (Grades 4 and 8)

The Department of Public Instruction provides many helpful resources for families about assessment. For more information on any of the assessments named in this newsletter, please visit the following website:

<https://dpi.wi.gov/assessment>