

Nevada State Assessment System 2016–2017



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End of Course (EOC) Examinations

- ◆ Nevada's End of Course (EOC) examinations are the graduation requirement for a standard diploma.
- ◆ All students in the class of 2020 and beyond will need to pass four EOC examinations to be eligible for a Nevada standard diploma.
- ◆ The EOC examinations are administered in the spring of each school year. Students take the EOC examinations after completing the aligned course.
- ◆ Tests may be retaken regardless of when that course is completed during a student's high school career.
- ◆ The EOC examinations available for students are:
 - English Language Arts I with a focus on Reading Comprehension
 - English Language Arts II with a focus on Writing
 - Math I with a focus on Algebra I
 - Math II with a focus on Geometry
 - Integrated Math I and Integrated Math II
 - Science with a focus on Life Science (for cohort 2020 and beyond)

Beginning with the class of 2020 and beyond, ELA I and ELA II will be merged to form a combined English Language Arts EOC examination and a (Life Science) EOC examination will be added.

Smarter Balanced

- ◆ Administered to all Nevada Grade 3–8 students.
- ◆ Two content areas: English Language Arts and Mathematics.

ACT

- ◆ All juniors enrolled in a Nevada high school prior to the statewide ACT makeup day must participate in this exam.
- ◆ ACT scores will not be used to determine graduation eligibility.
- ◆ Only participation in the ACT plus Writing is required.
- ◆ All Nevada students who were enrolled as juniors during the ACT testing window, and seniors who have not yet taken the ACT and were enrolled during this window, will participate free of charge.
- ◆ The ACT with Writing consists of multiple-choice questions in five content subject areas: English, Mathematics, Reading, Science, and Writing.
- ◆ The test will be administered at the student's school during the regular school day.

WIDA

- ◆ An English language proficiency assessment administered to English language learners in grades K-12.

Nevada Alternate Assessment

- ◆ Administered to IEP students who comprise about 1% of the student population.



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ASSESSMENT	CONTENT AREA(S)	GRADE LEVEL	NOTES	TESTING WINDOW	APPROXIMATE TEST
Smarter Balanced Summative Computer Adapted Test (CAT)	Math ELA	3rd–8th	Online.	120th day of instruction through the last day of instruction, or by May 31, (whichever is earlier)	4 hours
Science	Science	5th, 8th & 10th (2019 Cohort must participate in grade 10 Science)	Online.	5th & 8th: 120th day of instruction through the last day of instruction, or by May 31, (whichever is earlier) 10th: 145th day of instruction through the last day of instruction, or by May 31, (whichever is earlier)	2 hours
End of Course Examinations	English Language Arts I and II (and ELA Combined–2020 cohort) Math I and II (and Science 2020 cohort)	Not grade specific. Course Eligible Students	Online. Students must take (classes of 17 & 18) and pass (class of 19+) 4 in order to graduate.	April 24–May 31	4 hours (per assessment)
WIDA – English Language Proficiency Assessment	Reading Writing Speaking Comprehension Listening	K–12th	K-2nd assessments are paper Grades 3–12 assessments are online (with some writing components using paper/pencil.	K: Jan. 9–Mar. 3 1st–12th: Jan. 23–Mar. 3	2 hours
Nevada Alternate Assessment (NAA)	Reading Writing Math Science	3rd–11th	Paper and pencil. Given to students who meet the 1% eligibility criteria.	Feb. 28–May 31	No time limit
American College Test (ACT)	ACT + Writing	11th	Online or paper/pencil.	Feb. 28 (Paper) Feb. 28–Mar. 14 (Online) Make-up: Mar. 21 (Paper)	4 hours
National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP)	ELA Math Science	4th, 8th & 12th	Online.	Jan. 30–Mar. 10	1.5 – 2 hours
Career and Technical Education (CTE)	CTE Class-based assessments	10th–12th after completion of the CTE Program	Online End of Program and Work Force Readiness Assessments.	April 3–28 Retake: May 15–28	1.5 – 2 hours (time specific to assessment)