

North Carolina Testing Program Operational Calendar

2011–12 School Year – Summer

Assessment	Testing Window
WIDA ACCESS Placement Test (W-APT™) ¹ – Initial Testing	Initial assessment required within 30 calendar days of enrollment at the beginning of the school year or 14 calendar days if the student enrolls after the beginning of the school year.
NC EOC Multiple-Choice Tests (Summer Session Courses) (Paper-and-Pencil and Online) ²	Last 12 days of session

2011–12 School Year – Fall

Assessment	Testing Window
WIDA ACCESS Placement Test (W-APT™) ¹ – Initial and Reclassification Testing	Initial assessment required within 30 calendar days of enrollment at the beginning of the school year or 14 calendar days if the student enrolls after the beginning of the school year.
NC EOC Multiple-Choice Tests (Paper-and-Pencil and Online) ³	Last 12 days of the course (4x4/Semester Courses)

¹ Federal and state policies require that all K–12 students identified as language minority students through the Home Language Survey (HLS) process upon initial enrollment be assessed for limited English language proficiency. The state instrument for identification of limited English proficient (LEP) students is the WIDA ACCESS Placement Test (W-APT™). The identification and the subsequent placement of LEP students in ESL services are guided at the state level by the NCDPI Curriculum and Instruction Division. All students identified as LEP must be administered the ACCESS for ELLs® during the annual English language proficiency testing window.

² The EOC online testing system for summer school 2011 testing will open on Friday, June 17, 2011 and close on Friday, September 9, 2011.

³ The EOC online testing system for fall 2011 testing will open as soon as the fall test forms are available and will close on Friday, June 29, 2012. When fall forms are available, a notice will be posted on TNN for LEA test coordinators.

2011–12 School Year – Spring

Assessment	Testing Window
WIDA ACCESS Placement Test (W-APT™) ¹ – Initial Testing	Initial assessment required within 30 calendar days of enrollment at the beginning of the school year or 14 calendar days if the student enrolls after the beginning of the school year.
ACCESS for ELLs® ¹	February 1–March 19, 2012
<i>NCEXTEND1</i> Alternate Assessment for Writing at Grade 10 ²	March 5–March 16, 2012
NC Writing Assessment at Grade 10 ²	March 13, 2012
<i>NCEXTEND1</i> Alternate Assessment for Reading, Mathematics, Science	April 16–June 15, 2012
<i>NCEXTEND2</i> Alternate Assessment for EOG – Reading at Grades 3–8, Mathematics at Grades 3–8, and Science at Grades 5 and 8	Last 27 days of the school year
NC EOG Multiple-Choice: Reading at Grades 3–8, Mathematics at Grades 3–8, and Science at Grades 5 and 8	Last 22 days of the school year
NC EOC Multiple-Choice Tests (Paper-and-Pencil and Online) ³	Last 12 days of the course (4x4/Semester Courses) Last 17 days of the course (Traditional Yearlong Courses)

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² Results are used in combination with English I or its alternate to comply with *No Child Left Behind* (NCLB) high school testing requirements.

³ The EOC online testing system for spring 2012 testing will open as soon as the spring 2012 test forms are available and close on Friday, June 29, 2012. When spring forms are available, a notice will be posted on TNN for LEA test coordinators.

2011–12 School Year – NAEP Testing¹

Assessment	Testing Window
NAEP Long-Term Trend in Reading and Mathematics at Grade 8—operational and pilot	October 10–December 16, 2011
NAEP Long-Term Trend in Reading and Mathematics at Grade 4—operational and pilot	January 9–March 16, 2012
NAEP Writing at Grade 4 (Computer-Based)—pilot	January 23–March 2, 2012
NAEP Grade 12 Economics—operational	January 23–March 2, 2012
NAEP Grade 12 Math—pilot	January 23–March 2, 2012
NAEP Grade 12 Reading—pilot	January 23–March 2, 2012
NAEP Long-Term Trend in Reading and Mathematics at Grade 12—operational and pilot	March 19–May 25, 2012

¹ The National Center for Education Statistics (NCES) selected a statewide sample of schools and students to participate in NAEP 2011-12. LEAs and schools selected to participate will be notified in July 2011.