

Name of Assessment	Subject Matter	Grades Administered	Purpose of Assessment	Source of Requirement	Dates Administered	Reporting Results
SD Smarter Balanced-ELA & Math	Mathematics & English Language Arts	Grades 3-8	State required summative assessment measuring English Language Arts & Math achievement	SD DOE	March 30-May 8, 2026	Mailed to parents in the spring
SD Smarter Balanced-Science	Science	Grades 5 & 8	State required summative assessment measuring Science achievement	SD DOE	March 30-May 8, 2026	Mailed to parents once available
SD Smarter Balanced-ELA & Math Alternative	Mathematics & English Language Arts	Grades 3-8, & 11	Given to students with most severe cognitive disabilities	SD DOE	March 9-April 24, 2026	Mailed to parents once available
SD Smarter Balanced-Science Alternative	Science	Grades 5, 8, & 11	Given to students with most severe cognitive disabilities	SD DOE	March 30-May 8, 2026	Mailed to parents once available
National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP)	Reading & Math (every other year)	Grades 4 & 8	NAEP was first administered in 1969 to measure student achievement nationally. In 1990, NAEP was administered at the state level for the first time. Students in grades 4 & 8 are currently assessed at the national and state level in math and reading every two years and in other subjects periodically.	SD DOE	January 26-March 20, 2026 ONLY if selected to participate	Data only reported at the state level. No individual student data is collected
ACCESS and ACCESS Alternative	English Language Proficiency	Grades K-12	Used to assess English Language Proficiency and continued eligibility for EL services	SD DOE	January 23-February 24, 2026	Mailed to parents
WIDA EL Assessments	Reading, Writing, Speaking, & Listening	Grades 2-12	When students enter the district to determine eligibility for EL services	SD DOE	January 23-February 24, 2026	Mailed to parents with a letter regarding eligibility for services
DIBELS	Reading Proficiency	Grades K-5	Used to assess reading comprehension and proficiency	District	3 times per year. Usually Sept., Dec., & May	Results reviewed at conferences
Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery (ASVAB)	Military Aptitude	Grade 11	It is a multiple-choice test, administered by the United States Military Entrance Processing Command, used to determine qualification for enlistment in the United States Armed Forces. It measures a young adult's strength and potential for success in military training.	District	TBD-usually in the fall	Results will be discussed with students once they have been received

SD-ACT	ELA, Math, Science, and Reading Proficiency	Grade 11	The ACT contains multiple-choice tests in four areas: English, mathematics, reading and science.	SD DOE	<u>Window #1</u> Feb. 24-27 or Mar. 2-6 <u>Window #2</u> Mar. 10-13 or Mar. 16-20 <u>Window #3</u> Mar. 2-27, Mar. 30-31, or Apr. 1-3	Mailed to Parents
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