

Akron Elementary Testing Schedule

2026–2027 School Year



DIBELS

Dynamic Indicators of Basic Early Literacy Skills

WHO: All students in Kindergarten–5th Grade

WHY: A quick, reliable measure of early literacy skills that helps teachers identify strengths, monitor progress, and provide targeted support. Given three times a year.





WHEN:

Beginning of Year: August 24–September 3
Midyear: December 7–17
End of Year: April 26–May 6

NWEA MAP

Northwest Evaluation Association MAP: Measures of Academic Progress

WHO: All students in Kindergarten–5th Grade

WHY: Measures academic growth and achievement in key subjects. Results help teachers identify student needs and guide ongoing instruction.





WHEN:

Beginning of Year: August 24–September 3
Midyear: December 7–17
End of Year: April 26–May 6

CMAS

Colorado Measures of Academic Success

WHO: All students in 3rd–5th Grade

WHY: Measures how well students meet Colorado's academic standards and helps families and schools understand learning and growth.





WHEN:

April, during the three-week testing window

ACCESS

Assessing Comprehension and Communication in English State-to-State

WHO: Multilingual students in Kindergarten–5th Grade

WHY: A state assessment of students' English language skills.





WHEN:

January and February