

2022–23 North Carolina Operational Testing Calendar

It is a recommended best practice to complete testing early in the window and reserve the final days for makeup testing.

Grades K–8 ¹		
Grade Level	Test	Test Date
K–8	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> WIDA™ Screener for Kindergarten WIDA™ Screener 	Initial assessment required: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Within 30 calendar days of enrollment
K–8	ACCESS for ELLs	Test Window: January 23–March 10, 2023
K–8	Alternate ACCESS for ELLs	
3	Beginning-of-Grade 3 (BOG3) Reading Test	Traditional schools: first fifteen days of school year (Days 1-15) Year round schools: first fifteen days of school year ² beginning July 18, 2022
3–8	End-of-Grade (EOG) Reading and Mathematics Grades 3–8, and Science Grades 5 and 8	Final 10 instructional days of the school year
3	Grade 3 EOG Reading Retest	Final 10 instructional days of the school year
3	Read to Achieve Test for Grade 3	There are three windows within the year: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Summer 2022: At the conclusion of reading camp Fall 2022: Schools offering a transitional 3rd and 4th class combination class or a 4th grade accelerated class may make the local decision to administer by November 1, 2022 Spring 2023: Final 10 instructional days of the school year
3–8	NCEXTEND1 Alternate Assessment for Reading and Mathematics Grades 3–8, and Science Grades 5 and 8	Final 10 instructional days of the school year
5–8	End-of-Course (EOC) Tests for Biology, NC Math 1, and NC Math 3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Final 5 instructional days of the semester Final 10 instructional days of yearlong course

Grades 9–12¹		
Grade Level	Test	Test Date
9–12	WIDA™ Screener	Initial assessment required: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Within 30 calendar days of enrollment
9–12	Credit by Demonstrated Mastery (CDM) Phase 1 Assessments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Summer 2022: July 18–29 • Fall 2022: September 19–30 • Spring 2023: February 15–28 • Summer 2023: July 18–31
9–12	End-of-Course (EOC) Tests for Biology, English II, NC Math 1, and NC Math 3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Final 5 instructional days of the semester • Final 10 instructional days of yearlong course • Final 5 instructional days of the summer school course
9–12	ACCESS for ELLs	Test Window: January 23–March 10, 2023
9–12	Alternate ACCESS for ELLs	
9–12	ACT WorkKeys	Fall 2022: November 14, 2022–December 9, 2022 Spring 2023: February 21, 2023–March 24, 2023
10	PreACT (Paper Testing only)	October 17, 2022–December 16, 2022
10	College and Career Readiness Alternate Assessment (CCRAA) at Grade 10	
10	NCEXTEND1 Alternate Assessment for English II, Biology, and NC Math 1 at Grade 10	Final 10 instructional days of the school year

¹The decision to administer a required assessment must be based on eligibility requirements, not grade level.

²Year round schools open before July 18, 2022: July 18th begins day one of the fifteen day BOG3 window. NCTest does not open until July 18, 2022. Year round schools opening after July 18, 2022: First day of school is day one of the fifteen day BOG3 window.

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Grades 9–12¹ (continued)		
Grade Level	Test	Test Date
11	The ACT – Paper Testing Standard Administration	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Test Date 1: March 7, 2023 • Test Date 2: March 21, 2023 • Test Date 3: April 18, 2023
11	The ACT – Paper Testing Accommodations Windows	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Test Window 1: March 7–10 and March 13–17, 2023 • Test Window 2: March 21–24 and March 27–31, 2023 • Test Window 3: April 18–21, April 24–28, 2023
11	The ACT – Online Testing Standard & Accommodations Windows	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Online Test Window 1: March 7–9 and March 14–16, 2023 • Online Test Window 2: March 21–23 and March 28–30, 2023 • Online Test Window 3: April 18–20 and April 25–27, 2023
11	College and Career Readiness Alternate Assessment (CCRAA) at Grade 11	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Test Window 1: March 7–10 and March 13–17, 2023 • Test Window 2: March 21–24 and March 27–31, 2023 • Test Window 3: April 18–21, April 24–28, 2023
11	NCEXTEND1 Alternate Assessment at Grade 11	

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NAEP³		
Grade Level or Age	Test	Test Date
Age 13	NAEP Long Term Trend Math and Reading Assessment	Test Window: October 10, 2022–December 16, 2022
Sampled Tests³		
Grade Level or Age	Test	Test Date
Age 15	PISA—Program for International Student Assessment (Math, Reading, Science, and Financial Literacy)	Test Window: October 3, 2022–November 25, 2022
Grades 4 & 8	TIMSS—Trends in International Mathematics and Science Study Assessment	Test Window: Spring 2023
Grade 8	ICILS—International Computer and Information Literacy Study Assessment	Test Window: Spring 2023

³Schools selected to participate in NAEP and sampled tests will be notified.