

The Cheyenne-Eagle Butte School District administers a wide variety of assessments to our students on an annual basis. Some of the tests are specific for only certain grade levels while others are administered at every grade. A majority of the tests are devised to test English Language Arts (ELA), math, and science. Below you will find a list of the assessments along with an explanation of each standardized test. If you have questions that are not addressed below feel free to contact the principal of the school(s) your student attends.

#### SD English Language Proficiency Assessment (EL students) Grades K-12

ACCESS 2.0 and ACCESS Alt's testing window runs from Jan. 22 – Feb. 23, 2024.

This test is for EL (English Learners) within the district. English Learners are classified as students who do not speak English, or speak English as a second language. There is an extremely small number of students who take this test at C-EB. For the few if any that do take the test, a report of results is placed in his or her cumulative folder and a copy is sent home to the parents at the end of the school year. More information about ACCESS can be found at:

<http://doe.sd.gov/Assessment/>

#### STARS (ELA and Math Assessment) Grades K-5

The STARS assessment is given in the fall of each year. The testing primarily takes place within the first few weeks of school to assess incoming knowledge. This test helps indicate strengths and weaknesses that can then be addressed within each grade level.

#### SD ELA and Math Alternative Assessments (Alternate ELA and Math) Grades 3-8 and 11

The MSAA Testing Window is from March 22 – April 26, 2024. The ELA and math assessment is administered to approximately 1% of the students within our school who require more accommodations than the Smarter Balanced Test is designed for. The results of this test usually does not arrive back to our school until the late summer. At that point the results are mailed home to parents and a record is kept in the cumulative file of the student. More information can be found at: <http://doe.sd.gov/Assessment/>

#### NAEP – National Assessment of Educational Progress (ELA and Math) Grades 4 and 8

NAEP is given every other year within South Dakota to a random sampling of schools. The dates for 2024 are from Jan. 29 – March 8. The results from NAEP are collected and analyzed as a state in comparison to other states across the nation. There is no individual data from NAEP and its sole purpose is to summarize education across state lines. More information about NAEP can be found at: <http://doe.sd.gov/Assessment/>

#### NWEA/Maps (ELA, Math, and Science) Grades K-12

NWEA is normally conducted in September, again in December/January and for the last time in early May. The results of NWEA are provided to parents during parent teacher conferences. If the parent does not come in for conferences then the results are mailed home. The results from the last test are mailed home when school is out. These results are used internally by the school to showcase areas of strengths and needs of each child. This data is then used to focus on specific needs of each child.

#### SD ELA and Math General Assessments (ELA and Math Assessment) Grades 3-8 and 11

The testing window is from March 6 – May 3, 2024. This is the primary test for students in regards to the School Report Card that comes out every fall. Results from the tests are placed in cumulative folders and mailed out to parents usually with the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter report card in late May or early June. More information about the test can be found at:

<http://doe.sd.gov/Assessment/>

#### South Dakota Science and South Dakota Science Alt (Science) Grades 5, 8 and 11

The South Dakota Science/Science Alt Testing Window is from March 6 – May 3, 2024. This test is based on the SD Science Standards and assesses science knowledge from grades 3-5, 6-8, and high school. The science test and SD ELA/Math tests all use the same online platform for the assessment. <http://doe.sd.gov/Assessment/>