

MARYLAND STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

State Testing and Training Calendar 2021-2022

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The Student Testing Calendar for the school year 2021-2022 includes the following Maryland State assessments and MSDE training dates for critical teams associated with each assessment.

Maryland Comprehensive Assessment Program (MCAP): As of July 1, 2018, MCAP will be the overarching umbrella for all Maryland State Assessments as listed below.

Kindergarten Readiness Assessment (KRA)

- An assessment to determine the end of Prekindergarten skills, knowledge, and behaviors that students possess at the beginning of the Kindergarten year

English Language Arts/Literacy (ELA/L) and Mathematics (Two different tests)

- Grades 3 – 8 and 10* in English Language Arts/Literacy
- Grades 3 – 8 in Mathematics, and Algebra I*, Algebra II, Geometry

High School Assessments

High School Maryland Integrated Science Assessment (HS MISA) Last administration Early Fall 2021
Life Science Maryland Integrated Science Assessment (LS MISA) New administration January 2022

- Government*
- HS-MISA* or LS-MISA*

* High School Graduation Requirement

Maryland Integrated Science Assessment (MISA)

- Grades 5 and 8

Dynamic Learning Maps (DLM) English Language Arts, Mathematics, and Science Alternate Assessments

- Grades 3-8 and 11 in English Language Arts and Mathematics as well as Grades 5, 8, and 11 in Science for students with significant cognitive disabilities who are unable to participate in the MCAP assessment even with accommodations

English Language Proficiency Assessment (ELPA): ACCESS for ELLs (K-12) and Alternate ACCESS for ELLs (1-12)

- Test of English language proficiency administered to active English learners, including parent refusals
- Measures English language proficiency in the areas of listening, speaking, reading, writing, oral comprehension, and literacy

Social Studies 8

- An assessment of Middle School United States History and social studies skills and processes in Grade 8

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Statewide Primary Test Administrations Are Not To Be Scheduled on These Religious Holidays**

Holiday	2021 – 2022	2022 – 2023
Rosh Hashanah	September 7 - 8, 2021	September 26 - 27, 2022
Yom Kippur	September 16, 2021	October 5, 2022
First of Ramadan**	April 3, 2022	March 23, 2023
Eid Al-Fitr**	May 3, 2022	April 22, 2023
Eid Al-Adha**	July 10, 2022	June 29, 2023
Passover***	April 15 - April 23, 2022	April 5 - April 13, 2023
Good Friday - Western	April 15, 2022	April 7, 2023
Good Friday – Orthodox	April 22, 2022	April 14, 2023
Shavuot	June 5 - 6, 2022	May 26 - 27, 2023
National Take Our Daughters and Sons to Work Day*	April 28, 2022	April 27, 2023

* This date provided for information only. Testing may take place on this date.

Note: Make-up test administrations may be scheduled on religious holidays, as long as another make-up testing date is available for students who were unable to test due to a religious observance.

**Actual dates may differ locally as determined by authoritative religious leaders. Students who observe holidays and miss school on alternative holiday dates should be allowed to use local make-up dates.

***Testing may take place on any school day during the testing window except the first two and last two days of Passover. The holiday begins at sundown on the first day.

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Testing Windows are displayed in Red.

Test or Action	2021-2022
Training for the Early Fall Assessments HS MISA (Cognia)	1:00-3:30 (Virtual) (LAC) July 13 (LEA 24) July 14 (Tech Staff) July 15 (2:00-4:00)
Training for the Early Fall Assessments (ELA/L, Mathematics, and MISA 5&8 (Pearson)	8:30-12:30 (Virtual) (LAC) July 20 & 21 (Must Attend Both Days) (LEA 24) July 22
Kindergarten Readiness Assessment (KRA)	August 2, 2021-Data Collection Opens October 10, 2021-Data Collection Closes
KRA Training for School Administrators and LACs	12:00-1:00 (Virtual) August 11
Review Training for the Early Fall Assessments (ELA/L, Mathematics, and MISA 5&8) (Pearson)	Refresher & Updates 8:30-12:30 (Virtual) (LEA 24) August 16 (LAC) August 17
KRA Training for New and Returning Data Managers	11:00-12:30 (Virtual) August 17
Training for Early Fall Assessments ELA, Math, Science (DLM)	9:00-12:00 (Virtual) (LAC) August 25 (LEA 24) August 26

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Review Training for the Early Fall Assessments (HS MISA) (Cognia)	Refresher & Updates 1:00-3:00 (Virtual) (LAC) August 30 (LEA 24) August 31 (Tech Staff) September 1 (2:00-4:00)
Local Accountability Coordinator (LAC) Meeting LEA 24 School Test Coordinator (STC) Meeting	Tentative Date / Meeting Location or Virtual TBD LAC – September 14 LEA 24 – No Meeting
Early Fall Assessments Test Administration Window ELA/L 3-8 and 10, Mathematics 3-8 and HS, MISA 5&8 (Pearson)	Paper: September 13-October 15 Online: September 13-October 22 Note: Students will take the assessment of the grade or course they completed during the 2020-2021 school year. Grade 3 students in Fall 2021 will not test.
Early Fall Assessments Test Administration Window HS MISA (Cognia)	Paper: September 13-October 15 Online: September 13-October 22
Early Fall Assessments (DLM) ELA, Mathematics, Science	September 13-October 29
ACCESS for ELLs for NEW District Coordinators	September 21 (2:00-3:00)
ACCESS for ELLs Technology Coordinators Software Updates & Technology Readiness Checklist	September 23 (2:00-3:00)
(ACCESS for ELLs) Technology Installations	October 5 (2:00-3:30)

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Local Accountability Coordinator Meeting Government and LS MISA Training for January Administration (Cognia)	Meeting Location or Virtual TBD LAC – October 27 LEA 24 – October 28 Technical Staff - October 29 (Virtual)
Fall Block Training ELA 10, and Mathematics (Algebra I, Algebra II, Geometry) (Pearson)	8:30-12:00 (Virtual) (LAC) November 9 (LEA 24) November 10
ACCESS for ELLs (Logistic/Admin) Training For LACs and ESOL program managers and/or ESOL testing specialists	9:30-11:30 (Virtual) (LAC) November 15
Local Accountability Coordinator Meeting MAG Conference	November 17
Fall Block Test Administration Window ELA 10, and Mathematics (Algebra I, Algebra II, Geometry) Assessments (Pearson)	Paper: December 13 – January 21 Online: December 13 – January 28
Local Accountability Coordinator Meeting LEA 24 Schools Meeting DLM-Mathematics, ELA, and Science Alternate Assessment Test Administration Training	Doubletree, Columbia (LAC) December 16 (9:00-12:00) (LEA 24) December 17 (9:00-12:00) (LEA 24) December 17 (1:00-4:00)

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Local Accountability Coordinator Meeting LEA 24 Schools Meeting Test Administration Training – ELA/L and Mathematics, MISA 5&8, and Social Studies 8 (Pearson)	LAC –January 25 or 26 LEA 24 –January 27 or 28 Dates are tentative due to COVID protocols in meeting venues. This meeting will be in- person. Participants will only attend one day of training.
ACCESS for ELLs Assessment Test Administration Window	January 10 - February 18 (Primary Window) February 22 - March 4 (Make up Window)
Government and LS-MISA* Assessments January Test Administration Window (Cognia) *Note: New Name...New Test	Paper: January 10 – January 28 Online: January 10 - February 4
NAEP Test Administration Window (Postponed 2021 Administration)	January 24 - March 4
Maryland School Survey	TBD
MISA 5 & 8 Assessments Test Administration Window (Pearson)	Paper: March 7-18 Online: March 7-25
DLM English Language Arts, Mathematics, and Science Alternative Assessments Test Administration Window (DLM)	March 15 - June 3
ELA/L and Mathematics Assessments Spring Test Administration Window (Pearson)	Paper: April 4 – May 27 Online: April 4 - June 3

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Government and LS-MISA Assessments Spring Test Administration Window (May/June) (Cognia)	Paper: May 2 - May 27 Online: May 2 - June 3
Social Studies 8 Assessment Test Administration Window	Paper: May 2 - May 27 Online: May 2 - June 3
Local Accountability Coordinator Meeting Yearly Review and Accountability Updates	June 14 (Brown Bag Meeting)
Government Assessment Summer Test Administration Window (Cognia)	July 18 – July 29 (Online and paper window) NO LS MISA
ELA 10 and Algebra 1 Assessments Summer Test Administration Window	No Summer Administration