

Required Assessments at the Montrose School District

Date	Assessment	Grade Levels	Purpose	Results Timeline
January 28 – March 8	National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP)	4, 8, and 12 *Schools chosen yearly at random	NAEP is the only nationally representative and continuing assessment of what America's students know and can do in various subjects. Its two major goals are to measure student achievement and to report change in student performance over time.	National & State results are reported to the public on the Nation's Report Card. No individual results are given.
January 28 – February 28	ACCESS for ELLs and ACCESS for ELLs Alternative Assessment	All ELL students (K – 12)	State required assessment to measure English language proficiency for students identified as English Language Learners (ELL). (Estimated test time = 3 hours)	Individual results are made available within 30 days of being released.
March 6 – May 3	Smarter Balanced Assessment English Language Arts & Math	3 rd – 8 th and 11 th	State required summative assessment measuring English Language Arts (ELA) and math achievement. (Estimated test time = 2 to 4 hours per test)	Individual results are sent home with final report cards in the spring.
March 18 – May 3	MSAA-ELA and Math Alternate Assessment	Qualifying student in 3 rd – 8 th & 11 th	State required alternative, summative assessment measuring ELA and math achievement for identified SPED students. (Estimated test time = 2.5 hours)	Individual results are sent home at the beginning of the following school year.
April 1 – May 3	SD Science and Science Alternate	5 th , 8 th & 11 th	State required summative assessment measuring science achievement. (Estimated test time = 2 hours)	Individual results are sent out as soon as they are available to us from DOE.
March 25 – April 19	Homeschool Testing SAT10	4 th , 8 th , & 11 th	State requires a summative assessment measuring word skills, reading vocabulary & comprehension, math problem solving, spelling, language and grammar usage, science and social science. (Estimated test time = 2 hours)	Individual results are sent to the home in May.

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