

Assessment Guide
Brandon Valley School District
School Year 2022-2023

Name of Assessment	Subject Matter Assessed	Grades Administered	Purpose of the test (what is it designed for and how are the results used)	Source of Requirement	Approximate time Spent taking the test when Administered	Dates Administered (state window and district dates)	Reporting Results
National Assessment of Educational Progress	Math, Science, Reading	Grade 4th & 8th	NAEP is the largest nationally representative and continuing assessment of what our nation's students know and can do in various subjects such as mathematics, reading, science, and writing. The results of NAEP are released as The Nation's Report Card.	Federal DOE	Between 90-120 Minutes	No BVSD buildings selected this year.	Nation's Report Card
ACCESS 2.0	English Language Proficiency	KG-12	This annual language assessment is required for students identified as English Learners. The ACCESS assessment provides a measure of student progress toward English language proficiency. A copy of your child's assessment report will be shared with you.	SD DOE/STATE	Approximate time of 2-4 hours over the testing dates.	January 23rd-February 24th	End of 2022-2023 School Year
SD Assessments ELA	ELA	Grades 3-8, & 11th	Each spring, students are required to participate in statewide assessments to provide information about their skills in English language arts/literacy, mathematics, and science. Like class assignments and report cards, these assessments provide information about student progress toward college and career readiness. Statewide assessment results should always be interpreted as one of multiple measures of a student's skills. A copy of your child's assessment report will be shared with you.	SD DOE/STATE	Approximate time of 2-4 hours over the testing dates.	Grade 3rd/4th: April 17th-28th	End of 2022-2023 School Year
						Grade 5th/6th: April 17th-28th	
						Grade 7th/8th: April 17th-28th	
						Grade 11: April 12th & 13th	
SD Assessments Math	Math	Grades 3-8, & 11th		SD DOE/STATE	Approximate time of 2-4 hours over the testing dates.	Grade 3rd/4th: April 17th-28th	
						Grade 5th/6th: April 17th-28th	
						Grade 7th/8th: April 17th-28th	
						Grade 11: April 12th & 13th	
SD Assessments Science	Science	Grade 5, 8, & 11		SD DOE/STATE	Approximate time of 2-4 hours over the testing dates.	Grade 5: April 11th-14th	
						Grade 8: April 11th-14th	
						Grade 11: April 12th & 13th	
SD Alternate Assessment	ELA	Grades 3-8, & 11th	The South Dakota Alternative Assessments are alternative ELA/literacy, mathematics, and science assessments designed for students with significant cognitive disabilities. The goal of the alternative assessments is to ensure that students with the most significant cognitive disabilities achieve increasingly higher academic outcomes and leave high school ready for	SD DOE/STATE	Approximate time of 2-4 hours over the testing dates.	March 13th - April 28th	Individual student reports will be available late Summer
	Math	Grades 3-8, & 11th					
	Science	Grade 5, 8, & 11				March 1st - May 5th	

SD Interim Assessments	ELA/Math/Science	Grades 3-11th	Optional for classroom teachers to administer: These assessments teachers can use throughout the school year to assess smaller bundles of content aligned with the SD Assessment. They are intended to provide classroom teachers and students the ability to check student performance at any given moment in time, and the classroom teachers can use results to determine next steps for instruction. The interim assessments are small chunks of questions able to be completed in a class period or shorter time length.	District	Class period	October 4th- March 2nd	Please contact classroom teacher
National Career Readiness Certificate	Math, Graphic Literacy, Workplace Documents	Grade 12	All Brandon Valley School District seniors participate in the ACT® National Career Readiness Certificate (NCRC) program. The NCRC is an industry-recognize assessment designed to verify their real-world workplace skills. To earn certification, students must attain at least the lowest certification level on three ACT® WorkKeys assessments: Applied Mathematics, Reading for Information, and Locating Information. This initiative is part of the Department of Education's goal to ensure that, "All students graduate college, career, and life ready." The NCRC assessment is a computer-based test and students are allowed 55 minutes each for the three assessments.	District	175 Minutes	April 12th or April 13th	End of 2022-2023 School Year
Acadience	Literacy Skills	Elementary Schools	The Acadience Assessments are a set of procedures and measures for assessing the acquisition of early literacy skills from kindergarten through sixth grade. They are designed to be short (one minute) fluency measures used to regularly monitor the development of early literacy and early reading skills.	District	5-10 minutes	Beginning of the year: Aug 24th-Sept. 9th Middle of the year: Dec. 5th-Dec. 16th End of the year: May 8th-May 19th	Please contact classroom teacher
Renaissance STAR Early Literacy	Literacy Growth	KG-1st Grade	The STAR assessments are used to screen students for their reading and math achievement levels. STAR Early Literacy assessments help educators monitor students' growing literacy skills and students' progress toward becoming independent readers. STAR assessments can also be used to monitor student growth throughout the year, to estimate students' understanding of state standards, and can help teachers determine appropriate instructional levels and skills that students are ready to learn.	District	Can be completed in one class period.	Beginning of the year: Aug 24th-Sept. 9th	Please contact classroom teacher
Renaissance STAR Reading	Reading Growth	Grade 2-8				Middle of the year: Dec. 5th-Dec. 16th	
Renaissance STAR Math	Math Growth	Grade 2-6				End of the year: May 8th-May 19th	