

Assessment Guide
Custer School District
School Year 2020-2021

Name of Assessment	Subject Matter Assessed	Grades Administered	Purpose for how it is designed and used	Source of Requirement	Approximate time Spent/ When Administered	Dates Administered	Reporting Results
ACCESS & ACCESS Alt	English skills in Listening, Speaking, Reading and Writing	English Learner Students, K-12	The ACCESS is given annually to monitor students' progress in acquiring academic English	Federal Assessment	4 hours/student	January 25-March 12 2021	From State in May
ACT (American College Test)	All subject areas	Grades 11 and 12	The ACT® test measures what students learn in high school to determine academic readiness for college and is used for college admission. It is offered on the same dates across the United States.	Optional *offered for students seeking college admission	4 hours/student	Sept. 12, 13, 19, 2020 Oct. 10, 17, 24, 25, 2020 Dec. 12, 2020 Feb. 6, 2021 Apr. 17, 2021 June 12, 2021	Sent to individual and to the school a month after each test date
AIMS	Reading & Math	special education	Measures fluency, reading comprehension, phonemic awareness, and basic reading skills.	Local Assessment	30-40 minutes/student	Monthly	Results tracked by case manager to determine progress.
ASVAB (Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery)	Vocational aptitude	Grades 10, 11, or 12	The ASVAB determines qualification for enlistment into the U. S. Armed Forces.	Optional *offered for students seeking enlistment in the U. S. Armed Forces	3 hours/student	Nov. 18, 2020 Make-up March 10, 2021	Sent to school and an ASVAB interpreter comes to school within a week to go over results with students
CORE Assessing Reading	Reading	K-6	Assess fluency, comprehension, phonological awareness and decoding and word attack skills, and vocabulary skills.	Local Assessment	up to 30 minutes/student	Beginning of the year for all students, then monthly or bimonthly as needed for students.	Available immediately once scored.

DRA(Developmental Reading Assessment)	Reading	Grades 1-3	The DRA provides information regarding a student's ability to read and comprehend text.	Local Assessment	15 minutes/student	Every other month.	Immediate results scored by hand.
MAP (NWEA) (Measures of Academic Progress)	Reading, Language, Math and Science	K-12	MAP measures student growth related to our standards in Reading, Math, Science and Language.	Local Assessment	3-4 hours/student	Fall 2020 Winter 2021 Spring 2021	Available to teacher and school immediately after testing
MSAA(Multi-State Alternate Assessment)	Life skills	Selected Students in Special Education	Alternate Assessment is available for student who have met the significant cognitive disability criteria. These students are working with the Core Content Connectors and their IEP's indicate alternate	State Assessment	8-16 hours/student	Mar. 15-May 7, 2021	Digital notification to school in September
NAEP (National Assessment of Educational Progress)	Reading, Math	Grades 4 and 8	Its two major goals are to measure student achievement and to report change in student performance over time. Individual results are not reported.	National Assessment *District participation required when selected	3-4 hours/student	Waived for 2021	Individual results are not reported
NCRC (National Career Readiness Certificate)	Career/Interests	Grade 11 or 12	This test helps students demonstrate they are ready for the workplace as they enter the workforce immediately after graduation or pursue further post-secondary education.	Local Assessment	3-4 hours/student	Nov. 11, 2020 Make-up March 17, 2021	Email to school within 24 hours of testing
PSAT (Preliminary Scholastic Aptitude Test)	All subject areas	Grade 10-11	This test helps students prepare for college admission. It serves as a check-in on student progress and pinpoints areas for development.	Optional *Offered to students to help plan for college success.	4 hours/student	Oct. 14, 2020	Mailed to school 2 months after the test
SD Assessment	ELA and Math	Grades 3-8 and 11	The SBA is given annually to determine student proficiency in Reading and Math in Grades 3-8 and 11.	State Assessment	6-8 hours/student	Mar. 6-May 3, 2021	Available to school within 1 month of testing
SD Science Standards Assessment	Science	Grades 5, 8, and 11	The South Dakota Science tests measures students' mastery of the South Dakota Academic Standards in Science adopted in May, 2015 at grades 5, 8, and 11.	State Assessment	2-4 hours/student	Mar. 6-May 3, 2021	Sent to school 1 month after testing
Brigance	Reading, Math, Writing	Special Education Pre-K-8	Skills-based assessment used to measure student present level of performance for special education evaluation purposes.	Local Assessment	30-60 minutes each area	As needed -- three year re-evaluation or initial	Available immediately once scored.

GORT-5	Reading	Grades K-8	Measures fluency, reading comprehension, decoding skills.	Local Assessment	20-40 minutes	As needed -- three year re-evaluation or initial	Available immediately once scored.
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