

Purpose

The purpose of this guide is to provide LEA Assessment Directors with a high-level view of the Utah State Board of Education (USBE) resources and assessments related to Assessment and Accountability.

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 - (<https://schools.utah.gov/assessment>)

Policies

- [Utah State Board Rule R277-404](#)
 - (<https://www.schools.utah.gov/adminrules/R277-404>)
- [Utah State Board Rule R277-604](#)
 - (<https://www.schools.utah.gov/adminrules/R277-604>)
- *Standard Test Administration and Testing Ethics Policy* ([webpage](#) where policy is posted)
 - (<https://www.schools.utah.gov/assessment#Testing%20Ethics>)

Communications

- [Monthly meetings for LEA Assessment Directors](#)
 - (<https://schools.utah.gov/assessment/directors>)
- Weekly AD memos and important Assessment & Accountability communications are shared via email
 - To be included on “the list” to receive the emails please contact Sandra Owen, sandra.owen@schools.utah.gov
- [YouTube](#)
 - (<https://www.youtube.com/c/USBEAssessment>)

State Assessments 2026-2027 Testing Schedule

ACT

Grade Level: 11

Content Area: English, Reading, Mathematics, Science Testing

Window options: No Standard Paper testing

- Online Testing (Standard and Accommodated)
 - Window 1: March 9-12 & March 15-19, 2027
 - Window 2: March 23-26 & March 29-April 2, 2027
 - Window 3: April 6-9 & April 12-16, 2027
- Paper Testing – Accommodated
 - Window 1: March 9-12 & March 15-19, 2027
 - Window 2: March 23-26 & March 22-April 2, 2027
 - Window 3: April 6-9 and April 12-16, 2027

Remote Testing Allowed: No

Student Data: UTREx - one statewide extract in December. LEAs must add all additional data.

Student Results: Individual student reports will be available in students' MyACT accounts approximately 3 to 8 weeks after students complete their test. Test scores are available for districts and schools in ACT's reporting site, [success.ACT.org](https://success.act.org), within 72 hours of scores being posted to students' MyACT accounts (approximately 3-8 weeks after testing).

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Acadience Mathematics

Grade Level: K-3

Content Area: Math

Testing Windows:

- Beginning of Year (BOY): Beginning of school year – September 30, 2026
 - *Data Entry by October 30, 2026*
- Middle of Year (MOY): December 1, 2026 – January 31, 2027
 - *Data Entry by February 28, 2027*
- End of Year (EOY): April 15, 2027 – June 15, 2027
 - *Data Entry by June 30, 2027*

Remote Testing Allowed: No

Student Data: UTREx – nightly upload

Student Results: Student results are available immediately after student scores are fully submitted.

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Acadience Reading

Grade Level: K-6 (4-6 are OPTIONAL)

Content Area: Reading

Testing Windows:

- Beginning of Year (BOY): Beginning of school year – September 30, 2026
 - *Data Entry by October 30, 2026*
- Middle of Year (MOY): December 1, 2026 – January 31, 2027
 - *Data Entry by February 28, 2027*
- End of Year (EOY): April 15, 2027 – June 15, 2027
 - *Data Entry by June 30, 2027*

Remote Testing Allowed: Yes

Student Data: UTREx – nightly upload

Student Results: Student results are available immediately after student scores are fully submitted.

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DLM (Dynamic Learning Maps) Alternate Assessment

Grade Level: 3-11 ELA/Math, 4-11 Science

Content Area: English Language Arts, Mathematics, Science

Testing Windows:

- Instructionally Embedded/Mid-year Window (OPTIONAL, but recommended): September 14, 2026 – February 19, 2027
- *System offline*: December 19, 2026 – January 3, 2027
- Spring Summative Window (required): March 8, 2027 - June 11, 2027

Remote Testing Allowed: No

Student Data: UTREx – nightly upload

Student Results: Available on August 1, 2027 (Educator Portal)

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KEEP (Kindergarten Entry and Exit Profile) (OPTIONAL)

Grade Level: K

Content Area: Literacy and Numeracy

Testing Windows: No testing dates since assessment is optional

Remote Testing Allowed: Yes

Student Data: UTREx – nightly upload

Student Results: Student results are available immediately after student scores are fully submitted.

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NAEP (National Assessment of Educational Progress)

Grade Level: Selected schools only (Usually 4th, 8th, and 12th grades)

Content Area: Year dependent

Testing Window: January 25-March 5, 2027, if selected, schools will be notified directly of their testing date

Remote Testing Allowed: No

Student Data: Initial data submitted by USBE. School will submit updated student roster in January.

Student Results: Individual student results are not available for NAEP.

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PEEP (Pre-Kindergarten Entry and Exit Profile)

Grade Level: Pre-Kindergarten

Content Area: Literacy and Numeracy

Testing Window:

- Entry (Beginning of Year): 4 weeks before the first day of school until 4 weeks after pre-school starts
 - *Data entry due by September 30, 2026*
- Exit (End of Year): Last 4 weeks of pre-school
 - *Data entry due by June 15, 2027*

Remote Testing Allowed: No

Student Data: UTREx – nightly upload. Manual rostering of students by private programs.

Student Results: Student results are available immediately after student scores are fully submitted.

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RISE (Readiness. Improvement. Success. Empowerment.)

Grade Level: 3-10

Content Area: English Language Arts (ELA) Reading, Writing (grades 5 & 8), Mathematics, Science (grades 4- 10)

Testing Windows:

- Fall and Midyear Window
 - Benchmark Modules (OPTIONAL): August 4 – December 18, 2026, January 4 – June 4, 2027
 - *Writing Benchmark Modules available for grades 3-8; Science Benchmark Modules available for grades 4-8.*
 - Please note: No summative science tests for grade 3.
 - Fall Interims (OPTIONAL): August 4 – December 18, 2026
 - *No Writing or Science Interims available*
 - *Note: any interim tests started before December 18, 2025, must be submitted before COB December 18, 2025*
 - Midyear Summative: November 3 – December 18, 2026, January 4 – February 26, 2027
 - *Note: any summative tests started before February 26, 2027, must be submitted before COB February 27, 2027*

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- Winter Window
 - Benchmark Modules (OPTIONAL): January 4 – June 4, 2027
 - *Writing Benchmark Modules available for grades 3-8; Science Benchmark Modules available for grades 4-8.*
 - Please note: No summative science tests for grade 3.
 - Winter Interims (OPTIONAL): January 4 – February 26, 2027
 - *No Writing or Science Interims available*
 - *Note: any Winter Interim tests started before February 26, 2027, must be submitted before COB February 26, 2027*
 - Midyear Summative: November 3 – December 18, 2026, and January 4 – February 26, 2027
 - *Note: any summative tests started before February 26, 2027, must be submitted before COB February 26, 2027*
- Spring Window
 - Benchmark Modules (OPTIONAL): August 4 – December 18, 2026, January 4 – June 4, 2027
 - *Writing Benchmark Modules available for grades 3-8; Science Benchmark Modules available for grades 3-8.*
 - Please note: No summative science tests for grade 3.
 - Summative: March 9-June 4, 2027
 - LEAs have 8 weeks within the statewide Spring Window
 - Use *Example of an LEA Testing Window* below to help calculate your LEA testing window

Example of an LEA Testing Window

MARCH/APRIL 2021						MAY 2021					
Week	M	T	W	Th	F	Week	M	T	W	Th	F
1	29	30	31	1	2	6	3	4	5	6	7
2	5	6	7	8	9	7	10	11	12	13	14
3	12	13	14	15	16	8	17	18	19	20	21
4	19	20	21	22	23		24	25	26	27	28
5	26	27	28	29	30		31				

First day of testing window → (March 29)

Last day of testing window ← (May 21)

Last week of school (May 24-28)

Remote Testing Allowed: Only for students who receive all instruction exclusively online; this includes all Benchmark Modules, Interim Assessments, and Summative Assessments

Student Data: UTREx – nightly upload

Individual Student Results: Available 24-48 hours after administration in the RISE Reporting System.

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STAMP (Standards-Based Measurement of Proficiency)

Grade Level: 3-9

Content Area: Dual Language Immersion (DLI)

Testing Window: October 19, 2026 – December 11, 2026

Remote Testing Allowed: Only for students who receive DLI instruction exclusively online Contact:

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Utah Core Standard Benchmarks—now in UTIPS

Grade Level: 9-12

Content Area: Mathematics (Secondary Math I, II, III), English, Reading, Science (Physics, Chemistry, Biology, Earth Science)

Testing Window: August 1, 2026 – June 30, 2027

Remote Testing Allowed: Yes

Student Data: UTREx – nightly upload

Student Results: Available upon submission

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Utah Compose

Grade Level: 3-12

Content Area: all

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UTIPS (Utah Test Item Pool Service)

Grade Level: K-12

Content Area: all

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WIDA - ACCESS

Grade Level: K-12

Content Area: English Language Proficiency (ELP)

Testing Window: **TBD**

Remote Testing Allowed: No

Student Data: UTREx – two statewide extracts; November and January. LEAs must add new students into WIDA-AMS after second UTREx extract.

Student Results: Online Reports are available **TBD** in WIDA-AMS. Printed Reports will be shipped to LEAs **TBD**.

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WIDA - Screener

Grade Level: K-12

Content Area: English Language Proficiency (ELP)

Testing Window: Throughout the school year.

Remote Testing Allowed: No

Student Data: LEAs must add student data into WIDA-AMS

Student Results: Results available immediately upon completion in WIDA-AMS (1-12) and in the WIDA Secure Portal (K and Alternate).

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Appendix A: 2026-2027 Testing Schedule – one pager (front and back)

Assessment	Grade	Content Area	Testing Window
ACT	11	English, reading, mathematics, science	Online Testing (standard and accommodated) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Test Event 1: March 9-12, and March 15-19, 2027 Test Event 2: March 23-26, and March 29-April 2, 2027 Test Event 3: April 6-9, and March 12-16, 2027 Paper Testing – Accommodated <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Test Event 1: March 9-12, and March 15-19, 2027 Test Event 2: March 23-26, and March 29-April 2, 2027 Test Event 3: April 6-9, and March 12-16, 2027
Acadience Mathematics	K-3	Mathematics	Beginning of Year (BOY): Beginning of school year – September 30, 2026 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Data Entry by October 30, 2026</i> Middle of Year (MOY): December 1, 2026 – January 31, 2027 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Data Entry by February 28, 2027</i> End of Year (EOY): April 15, 2027 – June 15, 2027 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Data Entry by June 30, 2027</i>
Acadience Reading	K-6	Reading	Beginning of Year (BOY): Beginning of school year – September 30, 2026 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Data Entry by October 30, 2026</i> Middle of Year (MOY): December 1, 2026 – January 31, 2027 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Data Entry by February 28, 2027</i> End of Year (EOY): April 15, 2027 – June 15, 2027 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Data Entry by June 30, 2027</i>
DLM	3-11	English Language Arts, mathematics, science	Instructionally Embedded/Mid-year Window: (OPTIONAL, but recommended): September 14, 2026 – February 19, 2027 <i>System offline:</i> December 19, 2026 – January 3, 2027 Spring Summative Window (required): March 8, 2027 – June 11, 2027
KEEP	K	Literacy, numeracy	No testing dates since assessment is optional.
NAEP	4, 8, 12	Year dependent	January 25, 2027 – March 5, 2027; if selected, schools will be notified directly of their testing date.
PEEP	Pre-K	Literacy, numeracy	Entry (Beginning of Year): 4 weeks before the first day of school until 4 weeks after pre-school starts. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Data entry due by September 30, 2025</i> Exit (End of Year): Last 4 weeks of pre-school <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Data entry due by June 15, 2026</i>

Assessment	Grade	Content Area	Testing Window
RISE	3-10	English language arts, mathematics, science, writing	<p>Fall and Midyear Window <u>Benchmark Modules (OPTIONAL)</u>: August 4 - December 18, 2026, January 4- June 4, 2027</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Writing Benchmark Modules available for grades 3-8; Science Benchmark Modules available for grades 3-8.</i> • <i>Please note: No summative science tests for grade 3. Grade 3 science benchmark modules provided for instructional use</i> <p><u>Fall Interims (OPTIONAL)</u>: August 4-December 18, 2026</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>No Writing or Science Interims available</i> • <i>Note: any interim tests started before December 18, 2026, must be submitted before COB December 18, 2026</i> <p><u>Midyear Summative</u>: November 3-December 18, 2026, January 4-February 26, 2027</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Note: any summative tests started before February 26, 2027, must be submitted before COB February 26, 2027</i> <p>Winter Window <u>Benchmark Modules (OPTIONAL)</u>: January 4 - June 4, 2027</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Writing Benchmark Modules available for grades 3-8; Science Benchmark Modules available for grades 4-8.</i> • <i>Please note: No summative science tests for grade 3, grade 3 science benchmark modules provided for instructional use</i> <p><u>Winter interims (OPTIONAL)</u>: January 4 -February 26, 2027</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>No Writing or Science Interims available</i> • <i>Note: any Winter interim tests started before February 26, 2027, must be submitted before COB February 26, 2027</i> <p><u>Midyear Summative</u>: November 3- December 18, 2026, and January 4- February 26, 2027</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Note: any summative tests started before February 26, 2027, must be submitted before COB February 26, 2027</i> <p>Spring Window <u>Benchmark Modules (OPTIONAL)</u>: August 4- December 18, 2026, January 4- June 4, 2027</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Writing Benchmark Modules available for grades 3-8; Science Benchmark Modules available for grades 3-8.</i> • <i>Please note: No summative science tests for grade 3. Grade 3 science benchmark modules provided for instructional use</i> <p>Summative: March 9-June 4, 2027</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • LEAs have 8 weeks within the statewide Spring Window • Use <i>Example of an LEA Testing Window</i> above to help calculate your LEA testing window
STAMP	3-9	Dual Language Immersion	October 19 – December 11, 2026
Utah Core Standard Benchmarks (in UTIPS)	9-12	English language arts, mathematics, science	August 1, 2026 – June 30, 2027
WIDA – ACCESS for Ells	K-12	English language proficiency	January 6, 2027 – March 5, 2027
WIDA – Screener for Ells	K-12	English language proficiency	Throughout the school year.