

McFarland School District Assessment Calendar 2024-25

Assessment	Grade	When	Length of time of assessment (all assessments are untimed unless otherwise noted)	Use of Data	Schedule and format of disseminating results
State-mandated ACCESS for ELLs	K-12 ELLs only	12/2/2024-1/31/2025	35-45 min	An English language proficiency assessment used to help teachers modify curriculum to meet the needs of ELLs	Results are mailed home to families in the Spring or Summer
State-mandated Aimsweb Plus	4K-3	Fall, Winter, Spring	Multiple assessments, approximately 5 minutes or less each	State-mandated assessment of reading proficiency for students in grades 4K-3. Results are used to inform instruction, create flexible groups, identify students for services or interventions, and student placement.	Results shared with families promptly after assessments are completed via NextPath.
FastBridge	4K - 8	Fall, Winter, Spring	approximately 30 minutes per assessment	Inform instruction, create flexible groups, identify students for services or interventions, and student placement as well as provide ongoing progress monitoring for students receiving interventions	Results are available for families via Infinite Campus. Once testing is completed, information about how to access results is shared with families via newsletters
State-mandated Dynamic Learning Maps	3-11 identified students	3/17/25-4/25/25	ELA 70-90 min Math 35-60 min Sci 45-125 min	Alternative Assessment to ACT Aspire for students with cognitive disabilities	Results are mailed or emailed to families in July or August
State-mandated Forward Exam ELA and Math	3-8	3/17/25-4/25/25	ELA 130 min Math 90-115 min Science 105 min Social Studies 70 min	Item analysis of student performance informs instruction and ensures curriculum alignment to state standards	Results are mailed or emailed to families in July or August
State-mandated Forward Exam Science and Social Studies	4, 8, 10 (SS only at 10)				
State-mandated PreACT Secure	9&10	4/16/24	2 hours 10 min (timed)	Show preparation for ACT assessment, summative accountability standards and reporting, ensuring curriculum alignment to standards	Results are mailed or emailed to families in July or August
State-mandated ACT	11	3/11 makeup day 3/25)	2 Hours 55 min (timed)	Summative accountability standards and reporting, support College or IHE entrance	Results are sent to families directly from ACT in the Spring
AP Exams	9 , 10 , 11 , 12 (optional)	5/5/25 - 5/16/25	2-3 Hours (timed)	Demonstrate mastery of advanced placement coursework and can impact College or IHE entrance and placement	Results are sent to families directly from CollegeBoard in the Summer
PSAT (NMSQT)	10, 11 (optional)	10/8/2024	2 hours 45 min (timed)	Preparation for taking the SAT and qualifying assessment for National Merit Scholarships	Results are sent to families directly