

Mason County Assessments

DIBELS/mCLASS – Assessment is given to students in grades K-2 to determine fluency in basic reading and math skills. Benchmark testing is administered in September, January, and May. Results are distributed after benchmark testing is completed at the school level. Students not achieving benchmark are progress monitored monthly.

Interim Assessments – Assessments are given to students in grades 3-8 to determine areas of strengths/weaknesses. Interims are given at various times throughout the school year. Mason County Schools will administer the first assessment in September/October.

West Virginia General Summative Assessment – Assessment is given to students in grades 3-8 to measure students' levels of achievement of the West Virginia College and Career Readiness Standards. The general summative assessment assesses English language arts and mathematics in grades 3-8 and science in grades 5 and 8. Test dates for 2020-2021 have not been determined. Results are typically sent home with students in August/September following testing in May.

SAT School Day – West Virginia's general summative assessment for high school. It is administered to all students in grade 11, except those who take the *West Virginia Alternate Assessment*. The test is given in the spring of each year.

West Virginia Alternate Summative Assessment – Assessment given to students in grades 3-8 and 11 with the most significant cognitive disabilities. Test dates for 2020-2021 have not been determined. Results are typically sent home with students in August/September after testing in the spring.

West Virginia English Language Proficiency Assessment for the 21st Century (ELPA 21) – Online system that measures the English language

proficiency of all public-school English learners. The assessment is given in February/March of each year with results mailed to families in May/June.

National Occupational Competency Testing Institute (NOCTI) – Standardized assessments for Career and Technical Education students that are aligned with industry standards and created by industry experts in conjunction with educators across the country. The NOCTI is given in April or May. Results are available in the summer.

National Assessment for Educational Progress (NAEP) – A national assessment of a representative sampling of America’s students in grades 4, 8, and 12. Administered in January, NAEP measures what America’s students know and can do in various subject areas.

Common Formative Assessments (CFA) - Assessments made by a cohort of educators in each grade level and subject area to compare student achievement across the different schools in the county. Administered to students in all grade levels.

Classroom Formative Assessments-Assessments made by the classroom teacher to gauge student achievement in classroom to help determine intervention needs. Administered to students in all grade levels.