

2024 -2025 AVSD Assessment Calendar

Testing Window	Assessment	Grades	Subject	Note	Description/Purpose	
<b>September/August</b>	Aug 21 - Oct 11, 2024	Classroom Diagnostic Tools (CDT)	7-HS	ELA, Math & Science*	Administer FULL CDT *Science Grades 5, 8 and Biology	Diagnostic information to assist educators in identifying students' academic strengths and areas of need. Provide links to classroom resources via integration with PDE SAS and exposes students to the same content assessed on the PSSA and Keystone Exams.
	Sept 30 - Oct 11, 2024	Acadience	K-6	Math and Reading	Benchmark Assessment #1	Benchmark Assessment #1 for early literacy, reading, and math skills aligned with national norms and common core state standards.
	Sept 30 - Oct 11, 2024	STAR	K-6	Math, Early Literacy, and Reading	Benchmark Assessment #1	Benchmark Assessment #1: STAR Reading and Math scaled scores predict Pennsylvania System of School Assessment (PSSA) performance.
<b>October</b>	October 16, 2024	PSAT	10-11			Aptitude test to show college readiness. Merit qualification (11th grade)
<b>January/December</b>	Dec 4-18, 2024	Winter Keystone Retakes	7-11	Algebra, Biology, English 10	Re-testers and other qualifying students	State graduation requirement; measures proficiency on end of course standards.
	Dec 16 - 19, 2024	Act 35 Civics	12	Social Studies	End of Semester	Assesses Knowledge, Skills, and Actions; required by PDE
	Dec 16 - Jan 31, 2025	NEW Firefly PA Benchmark for PSSA and Keystone	6 - 10	Math (6-10) Science (5 & 6) ELA (7-10)	Mid Year Benchmark - Online Pilot	Benchmark assessment designed to align with state standards and measure students' knowledge and skills against grade-level learning goals. Predicts PSSA/Keystone performance.
	Dec 16 - Jan 31, 2025	CDT	8	Biology	Mid Year	Diagnostic information to assist educators in identifying students' academic strengths and areas of need. Provide links to classroom resources via integration with PDE SAS and exposes students to the same content assessed on the PSSA and Keystone Exams.
	January 6 - February 21, 2025	WIDA ACCESS	K-12	ELLs Only		Measures English language proficiency for ELLs

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	Jan 13-24, 2025	STAR	K-6	Math (K-4) , Early Literacy, and Reading	Benchmark Assessment #2	Benchmark Assessment #1: STAR Reading and Math scaled scores predict Pennsylvania System of School Assessment (PSSA) performance.
	Jan 13-24, 2025	Acadience	K-6	Math and Reading	Benchmark Assessment #2	Benchmark Assessment #2 for early literacy, reading, and math skills aligned with national norms and common core state standards.
<b>March/February</b>	February 4, 2025	ASVABS	11			The Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery (ASVAB) is a multiple-aptitude battery that measures developed abilities and helps predict future academic and occupational success
<b>May/April</b>	April 14 - May 29, 2025	CDT	7-High School	Math, ELA, Science	Administer FULL CDT *Science Grades 8 and Biology	Diagnostic information to assist educators in identifying students' academic strengths and areas of need. Provide links to classroom resources via integration with PDE SAS and exposes students to the same content assessed on the PSSA and Keystone Exams.
	April 21-25, 2025	PSSA	3-8	ELA		Summative State Assessment: Measures proficiency on grade-level standards
	April 28 - 29, 2025	PSSA	3-8	Math		Summative State Assessment: Measures proficiency on grade-level standards
	May 1-2, 2025	PSSA	5 and 8	Science		Summative State Assessment: Measures proficiency on grade-level standards. <i>*No scores for new PSSA Science Field Test</i>
	May 5-8, 2024	PSSA Make Ups	3-8	Reading, Math, and Science		Summative State Assessment
	May 5 - 16, 2025	Acadience	K-6	Math and Reading	Benchmark #3	Benchmark Assessment #3 for early literacy, reading, and math skills aligned with national norms and common core state standards.

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	May 5 - 16, 2025	STAR	K-6	Math (K-4) , Early Literacy, and Reading	Benchmark #3	Benchmark Assessment #3: STAR Reading and Math scaled scores predict Pennsylvania System of School Assessment (PSSA) performance.
	May 5 - 16, 2025	NEW Firefly PA Benchmark for PSSA and Keystone	5-6	Math and Science	End of Year Benchmark - Online Pilot	Benchmark assessment designed to align with state standards and measure students' knowledge and skills against grade-level learning goals. Predicts PSSA/Keystone performance.
	May 5 - 23, 2025	AP Exams	11-12	AP	Based on Course	Advanced Placement Exams
	May 12 - 23, 2025	Keystone Exams	7-10	Algebra, Biology, English 10		State Graduation Requirement - Measures proficiency on end of course standards
	May 12 - 16, 2025	Act 35 Civics	12	Social Studies	End of Semester	Assesses Knowledge, Skills, and Actions; required by PDE