

# 2020–21 North Carolina Operational Test Calendar

Grades K–8 <sup>1</sup>		
Grade Level	Test	Test Date
K–8	W-APT and WIDA™ Screener	Initial assessment required: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Within 45 calendar days of enrollment<sup>2</sup></li> </ul>
K–8	ACCESS for ELLs	Window: February 22–April 23, 2021
K–8	Alternate ACCESS for ELLs	
3	Beginning-of-Grade 3 Reading Test	By the 20 <sup>th</sup> day of face-to-face instruction
3–8	End-of-Grade (EOG) Reading and Mathematics Grades 3–8, and Science Grades 5 and 8	Final 10 instructional days of the school year
3	Grade 3 EOG Reading Retest	Final 10 instructional days of the school year
3	Read to Achieve Test for Grade 3	<b>There are three windows within the year:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Summer 2020: At the conclusion of reading camp               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Waived for the 2019–20 school year</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Fall 2020: Schools offering a 3/4 transitional or 4<sup>th</sup> grade accelerated class may make the local decision to administer by November 1, 2020</li> <li>• Spring 2021: Final 10 instructional days of the school year</li> </ul>
3–8	NCEXTEND1 Alternate Assessment for Reading and Mathematics Grades 3–8, and Science Grades 5 and 8	Final 10 instructional days of the school year
5–8	End-of-Course (EOC) Tests for Biology, NC Math 1, and NC Math 3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Final 5 instructional days of the semester</li> <li>• Final 10 instructional days of yearlong course</li> </ul>

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<sup>2</sup>For the 2020-21 school year only, the North Carolina State Board of Education approved an amendment to TEST-011 allowing 45 days for the initial assessment of English Learners.

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Grades 9–12 <sup>1</sup>		
Grade Level	Test	Test Date
9–12	WIDA™ Screener	Initial assessment required: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Within 45 calendar days of enrollment<sup>2</sup></li> </ul>
9–12	Credit by Demonstrated Mastery (CDM) Phase 1 Assessments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Summer 2020: July 20–31</li> <li>• Fall 2020: September 17–October 14</li> <li>• Spring 2021: February 15–March 12</li> <li>• Summer 2021: July 19–30</li> </ul>
9–12	End-of-Course (EOC) Tests for Biology, English II, NC Math 1, and NC Math 3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Final 5 instructional days of the semester</li> <li>• Final 10 instructional days of yearlong course</li> <li>• Final 5 instructional days of the summer school course</li> </ul>
9–12	ACCESS for ELLs	Window: February 22–April 23, 2021
9–12	Alternate ACCESS for ELLs	
9–12	ACT WorkKeys	Fall 2020: November 16–December 15 Spring 2021: February 16–May 28, 2021
10	PreACT (Paper Testing only)	October 12–May 14, 2021
10	College and Career Readiness Alternate Assessment (CCRAA) at Grade 10	
10	NCEXTEND1 Alternate Assessment for English II, Biology, and NC Math 1 at Grade 10	Final 10 instructional days of the school year
11	ACT without Writing – Standard Administration (Paper Testing)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Test Date Option 1: February 23, 2021</li> <li>• Test Date Option 2: March 9, 2021</li> <li>• Test Date Option 3: March 23, 2021</li> </ul>
11	ACT without Writing – Accommodations Windows (Paper Testing)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Test Window 1: February 23–26 and March 1–5, 2021</li> <li>• Test Window 2: March 9–12 and March 15–19, 2021</li> <li>• Test Window 3: March 23–26 and March 29–April 2, 2021</li> </ul>

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<b>Grades 9–12<sup>1</sup></b> (continued)		
Grade Level	Test	Test Date
11	ACT without Writing – <b>Online Testing</b> , Standard & Accommodations Windows	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Test Window 1: February 23–25 and March 2–4, 2021</li> <li>• Test Window 2: March 9–11 and March 16–18, 2021</li> <li>• Test Window 3: March 23–25, March 30–April 1, 2021</li> </ul>
11	College and Career Readiness Alternate Assessment (CCRAA) at Grade 11	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Test Window 1: February 23–26 and March 1–5, 2021</li> <li>• Test Window 2: March 9–12 and March 15–19, 2021</li> <li>• Test Window 3: March 23–26 and March 29–April 2, 2021</li> </ul>
11	NCEXTEND1 Alternate Assessment at Grade 11	

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<b>NAEP<sup>3</sup></b>		
Grade Level/Age	Test	Test Date
Grades 4 & 8	NAEP Reading and Mathematics Assessment	NAEP testing will not occur in 2021; testing has been rescheduled for 2022.
Grade 8	NAEP Civics and U.S. History Assessment	
Grade 4	Progress in International Reading Literacy Study (PIRLS)	
Age 15	Program for International Student Assessment (PISA)	

<sup>3</sup>Schools selected to participate in NAEP will be notified.

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<b>Makeup Testing for Spring 2020 Administration ACT, CCRAA at Grade 11, and NCEXTEND1 at Grade 11</b>		
Grade Level	Test	Test Date
<b>Current 12<sup>th</sup> grade students</b>	❖ ACT (Standard Administration) Makeup Testing for Spring 2020	<b><u>Paper Testing only, with Writing</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>September 22, 2020</li> <li>October 6, 2020</li> <li>October 20, 2020</li> </ul>
		<b><u>Paper Testing, without Writing</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Test Date Option 1: February 23, 2021</li> <li>Test Date Option 2: March 9, 2021</li> <li>Test Date Option 3: March 23, 2021</li> </ul>
		<b><u>Online Testing, without Writing</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Test Window 1: February 23–25 and March 2–4, 2021</li> <li>Test Window 2: March 9–11 and March 16–18, 2021</li> <li>Test Window 3: March 23–25, March 30–April 1, 2021</li> </ul>
<b>Current 12<sup>th</sup> grade students</b>	❖ ACT (Accommodations Windows) ❖ College and Career Readiness Alternate Assessment (CCRAA) at Grade 11 ❖ NCEXTEND1 Alternate Assessment at Grade 11 Makeup Testing for Spring 2020 (The windows to the right apply to all tests referenced in this box.)	<b><u>Paper Testing only, with Writing</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>September 22, 2020–October 2, 2020 (weekdays)</li> <li>October 6–12, 2020 (weekdays)</li> <li>October 20–26, 2020 (weekdays)</li> </ul>
		<b><u>Paper Testing, without Writing</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Test Window 1: February 23–26 and March 1–5, 2021</li> <li>Test Window 2: March 9–12 and March 15–19, 2021</li> <li>Test Window 3: March 23–26 and March 29–April 2, 2021</li> </ul>
		<b><u>Online Testing, without Writing</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Test Window 1: February 23–25 and March 2–4, 2021</li> <li>Test Window 2: March 9–11 and March 16–18, 2021</li> <li>Test Window 3: March 23–25, March 30–April 1, 2021</li> </ul>