

### Aspen Academy District Testing Calendar 2025-2026

| ASSESSMENT                                                                                              | REQUIREMENT        | STARTING  | ENDING    | ASSESSMENT                                                    | REQUIREMENT        | STARTING  | ENDING    | ASSESSMENT                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | REQUIREMENT        | GRADE                                | DATE/Window     |
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| <a href="#">WIDA-ACCESS Placement Test (K) &amp; WIDA-Screener (new students in grades 1-8)</a>         | Required by MN Law | 8/26/2025 | 10/3/2025 | <a href="#">SAEBRS (4-8th grades) Fall</a>                    | Local Assessment   | 9/15/2025 | 10/3/2025 | <a href="#">ACCESS - Kindergarten</a>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | Required by MN Law | Kindergarten                         | 1/26/26-3/20/26 |
| <a href="#">FASTBRIDGE (K-8) - Fall aMath/earlyMath, aReading/earlyReading, CBM Math, CBM Reading</a>   | Local Assessment   | 8/26/2025 | 9/26/2025 | <a href="#">SAEBRS (4-8th) Winter</a>                         | Local Assessment   | 1/5/2026  | 1/30/2026 | <a href="#">ACCESS Listening</a>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | Required by MN Law | 1st<br>2nd-3rd<br>4th-5th<br>6th-8th | 1/26/26-3/20/26 |
| <a href="#">FASTBRIDGE (K-8) - Winter aMath/earlyMath, aReading/earlyReading, CBM Math, CBM Reading</a> | Local Assessment   | 1/5/2026  | 1/30/2026 | <a href="#">SAEBRS (4-8th) Spring</a>                         | Local Assessment   | 5/4/2026  | 5/29/2026 | <a href="#">ACCESS Reading</a>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | Required by MN Law | 1st<br>2nd-3rd<br>4th-5th<br>6th-8th | 1/26/26-3/20/26 |
| <a href="#">FASTBRIDGE (K-8) - Spring aMath/earlyMath, aReading/earlyReading, CBM Math, CBM Reading</a> | Local Assessment   | 5/4/2026  | 5/24/2026 | <a href="#">MCA MATH/READING GRADES 3-5 &amp; MTAS</a>        | Required by MN Law | 3/2/2026  | 5/1/2026  | <a href="#">ACCESS Speaking</a>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | Required by MN Law | 1st<br>2nd-3rd<br>4th-5th<br>6th-8th | 1/26/26-3/20/26 |
| <a href="#">ACCESS &amp; Alternate ACCESS for ELLs GRADES K-8</a>                                       | Required by MN Law | 1/26/2026 | 3/20/2026 | <a href="#">MCA MATH/READING GRADES 6-8 &amp; MTAS</a>        | Required by MN Law | 3/2/2026  | 5/1/2026  | <a href="#">ACCESS Writing</a>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | Required by MN Law | 1st<br>2nd-3rd<br>4th-5th<br>6th-8th | 1/26/26-3/20/26 |
| <a href="#">Becoming a Reader - Fall Placement (Grades 1, 2 &amp; 3)</a>                                | Local Assessment   | 8/26/2025 | 9/26/2025 | <a href="#">MCA/MTAS SCIENCE GRADES 5 &amp; 8</a>             | Required by MN Law | 3/2/2026  | 5/4/2026  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Federal, State and Local assessment are untimed, however there are recommended testing times.</li> <li>Local assessments of Fastbridge typically run 30 minutes per reading and per math test.</li> <li>State assessments are suggested time, per DAC manual, includes 1.25-2.5 hours, however, it is untimed.</li> <li>Results used from these assessments are used to measure our accountability to the state, determine areas of strengths within our current curriculum and instruction, as well as areas of deficit that requires our attention to determine next steps to increase areas of deficit to correct and strengthen.</li> <li>* Results are shared with caregivers via print-out reports from FastBridge, which are part of conferences and end of year reports.</li> </ul> |                    |                                      |                 |
| <a href="#">SIPPS (Grades 1, 2 &amp; 3 as needed)</a>                                                   | Local Assessment   | 8/26/2025 | 9/26/2025 | <a href="#">MCA Makeup days (Math, Reading &amp; Science)</a> | Required by MN Law | 5/4/26    | 5/8/26    |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |                    |                                      |                 |

| ASSESSMENT                                           | PURPOSE                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | FORMAT                                                                                                                                                        | SOURCE OF THE REQUIREMENT                             | RATIONALE                                    |
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| MCA & MTAS                                           | To measure learning of the Minnesota Academic Standards                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | + Online<br>+ Paper (per IEP/504 accommodation)                                                                                                               | <a href="#">Minnesota Statutes 120B.30 ESSA</a>       | Minnesota Statutes, section 120B.30 and ESSA |
| ACCESS and Alternate ACCESS                          | To measure progress towards meeting the WIDA English Language Development Standards                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | + Online<br>+ Paper (per IEP/504 accommodation)                                                                                                               | <a href="#">ESSA</a>                                  | ESSA                                         |
| FASTBridge (Math, Reading, SAEBRS)                   | Universal screeners for students in K-8 to assess broad Math and Reading skills at grade level. The earlyReading and earlyMath are given to K-1 students, and aReading and aMath are given to students in grades 2-8. SAEBRS is a brief, norm-referenced tool for screening all students to identify those who are at risk for social-emotional behavior (SEB) problems     | + earlyMath and early Reading - paper, one-to-one administration<br>+ aReading and aMath - online<br>+ SAEBRS - one-to-one online                             | <a href="#">Minnesota Statutes, section 120B.11.2</a> | Minnesota Statutes, section 120B.11.2        |
| WIDA-ACCESS Placement Test (WAPT) & WIDA- Screener   | Universal screeners for new students to the district K-8, who may qualify for EL services based on enrollment language questionnaire, to determine if they qualify for EL services. The WIDA-ACCESS Placement Test (W-APT) is for students in Kindergarten and first semester 1st grade. The WIDA Screener is for students in the second semester of 1st grade to 8th grade | + WIDA-ACCESS Placement Test (W-APT) - paper, one-to-one administration<br>+ WIDA Screener - online, paper if student does not have experience with computers | <a href="#">ESSA</a>                                  | ESSA                                         |
| Becoming a Reader - Fall Placement (Grades 1, 2 & 3) | Becoming a Reader is a local assessment for guided reading group placement in grades 1, 2, & 3                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | One-to-one administration on paper                                                                                                                            | <a href="#">ESSA</a>                                  | ESSA                                         |
| SIPPS (Grades 1, 2 & 3 as needed)                    | Tier II intervention curriculum which includes placement tests                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | One-to-one administration on paper                                                                                                                            | <a href="#">ESSA</a>                                  | ESSA                                         |