

**Assessment Calendar
2019 – 2020
Baltimore County Public Schools**

The Baltimore County Public Schools (BCPS) assessment calendar reflects the dates that students in BCPS schools will be testing. The dates and information listed are based on the MSDE state calendar and parameters. Unless otherwise stated, the dates represent windows for testing. Schools have the flexibility to choose testing dates within the established windows. Students who observe religious holidays on a school testing day are to be allowed to test on a makeup date.

Below is a description of the tests that will be administered.

District Assessments

PSAT

- PSAT/NMSQT for Grades 10 and 11
- PSAT 9 for Grade 9
- Systemwide assessment that provides practice for the SAT and serves as an indicator of College and Career Readiness

SAT

- Grade 11 students
- Systemwide assessment that is used to assess student readiness for college

Measures of Academic Progress (MAP)

- Assessment that will be used to measure student growth during a school year and across school years
- Administered to students in Grades K through 8

State Assessments

As of July 1, 2018, the Maryland Comprehensive Assessment Program (MCAP) is the overarching umbrella for all Maryland State Assessments as listed below.

ACCESS for ELLs and Alternate ACCESS for ELLs

- Test of English language proficiency administered to active English Learners in Grades K -12 for ACCESS; Grades 1 - 12 for Alternate ACCESS
- Measures English language proficiency in the areas of listening, speaking, reading, writing, oral, comprehension, and literacy

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Alternate Maryland Integrated Science Assessment (Alt-MISA)

- Grades 5, 8, and 11 in Science
- For students with significant cognitive disabilities who are unable to participate in the Maryland Integrated Science Assessment even with accommodations

High School Assessments

- Government
- HS-MISA

Kindergarten Readiness Assessment (KRA)

- A comprehensive test of skills at the academic starting level
- Kindergarten students randomly selected by the Maryland State Department of Education (MSDE)

Maryland Integrated Science Assessment (MISA)

- Grades 5 and 8

Multi-State Alternate Assessment (MSAA)

- Grades 3–8 and 11 in English Language Arts and Mathematics
- For students with significant cognitive disabilities who are unable to participate in the English Language Arts/Literacy and Mathematics assessments even with accommodations

English Language Arts/Literacy (ELA/L)

- Grades 3 – 8
- English 10

Mathematics

- Grades 3 – 8
- Algebra I, Algebra II, Geometry

Social Studies 8

- Grade 8

MSDE requires all students to test online unless a documented IEP, 504, or EL plan accommodation requires a paper test

Dates	Assessment	Participants	Additional Information
September			
September 3 – October 10, 2019	KRA	Selected students in Kindergarten	
October			
September 18 – October 25, 2019	MAP	Students in Grades 1 - 8	
October 16, 2019	PSAT	Students in Grades 9 - 11	
December			
December 16, 2019 – January 31, 2020	English 10 and Algebra 1 (Fall Block) Paper Testing	Students who have completed the English 10 and Algebra 1 course but not met the testing graduation requirement	
December 16, 2019 – February 7, 2020	English 10 and Algebra 1 (Fall Block) Online Testing		
January			
January 6 – 31, 2020	HSA Government and HS-MISA Paper and Online Testing	Students who have completed the American Government course but not met the testing graduation requirement Students in Grades 11–12 who have not met the high school science testing graduation requirement	

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January 8 – February 11, 2020	Access for ELLs Primary Window	Students in Grades K–12 who are receiving ESOL services	Schools with ESOL teachers will determine their own testing schedules within the window.
February 12 – 26, 2020	Access for ELLs Makeup Window		Schools without ESOL teachers will coordinate with Office of ESOL for specific dates and times.
February			
January 21 – February 28, 2020	MAP	Students in Grades K–8	
February 24 – April 24, 2020	Maryland School Survey	All students in Grades 5 – 11 and educators designated by MSDE	
March			
March 9 – 20, 2020	MISA 5 & 8 Paper Testing	Students in Grades 5 and 8	
March 9 – 27, 2020	MISA 5 & 8 Online Testing	Students in Grades 5 and 8	
March 9 – May 1, 2020	Alt-MISA	Students in Grades 5, 8, and 11 as determined by student’s IEP	
March 16 – May 1, 2020	MSAA	Students in Grades 3–8 and 11 as determined by student’s IEP	
March 25, 2020	SAT Day	Students in Grade 11	Make-up testing will be scheduled on April 14, 2020

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April			
April 20 – May 22, 2020	ELA/L and Mathematics Assessment Paper Testing	Students in Grades 3–8 Students enrolled in Algebra 1 and English 10	Middle school students will take the assessment that corresponds to the course in which they are enrolled.
April 20 – June 5, 2020	ELA/L and Mathematics Assessment Online Testing	Students who have completed the English 10 and Algebra 1 course but not met the testing graduation requirement	
May			
May 4 – June 5, 2020	Social Studies 8	Students in Grade 8	
May 4 – May 29, 2020	HSA Government and HS-MISA Paper Testing	Students enrolled in American Government and students who have completed the American Government course but not met the testing graduation requirement	
May 4 – June 5, 2020	HSA Government and HS-MISA Online Testing	Students in Grades 10–12 who have not met the high school science testing graduation requirement	
May 11 – June 5, 2020	MAP	Students in Grades K–2	No spring administration for students in Grades 3 – 8
July			
July 20 – July 31, 2020	HSA Government and HS-MISA	TBD	
July 20 – July 31, 2020	English 10 and Algebra 1	TBD	

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