

School Year 2025-2026

Dear Parent/Guardian,

New Hampshire schools are required by state law (RSA 193-C) and federal law (Every Student Succeeds Act) to assess students using standardized tests. These assessments help us understand how students are learning and growing. We use multiple tests to meet these legal requirements. Our schools are committed to administering these tests in a secure and supportive environment. If you have any questions about testing at your child's school, please contact the school principal. For more information about our statewide assessments, visit the [Office of Assessment](#) webpage.

Statewide assessments are crucial for understanding student learning. They:

- Evaluate student skills in core academic subjects
- Measure progress toward high school graduation and college/career readiness
- Help teachers improve classroom instruction
- Provide additional insights into student learning alongside classroom work, helping teachers and parents identify and address learning gaps

Below are the required assessments for public and chartered public school students:

General Assessment	Grades	Content Area
NH Statewide Assessment System (NH SAS)	3-8	English Language Arts, Mathematics
NH Statewide Assessment System (NH SAS)	5, 8, & 11	Science
SAT School Day with Essay	11	English Language Arts, Mathematics
Alternate Assessment	Grades	Content Area
Dynamic Learning Maps (DLM)	3-8, & 11	English Language Arts, Mathematics
Dynamic Learning Maps (DLM)	5, 8, & 11	Science
English Language Proficiency	Grades	Content Area
ACCESS / Alternate ACCESS for ELLs	K-12	Reading, Writing, Listening, & Speaking

Your child will begin testing on: 8th Graders will begin testing on May 15th and 6th and 7th graders will begin testing on May 18th.

Results Overview

- Available immediately after test completion
- Accessed through [NH SAS Family Portal](#)
- Requires unique student access code

Accessing Your Results

1. Log into [NSD Family Portal](#)
2. Navigate to **Demographics** section
3. Find "**SAS Parent Access**" entry
4. Retrieve unique access code
5. Use code to enter [NH SAS Family Portal](#)

Assistance: If login issues occur, contact school's main office

Lexile reading and **Quantile mathematics scores** will be available on the ISR. Visit this [resource](#) to find more information on how to use these measures to understand a student's reading and math level. New Hampshire SAT School Day with Essay results will be available in May and June. Students can [access their scores](#) with a College Board student account.

Dynamic Learning Maps Alternate Assessment Scores:

Available through Kite Parent Portal (<https://parentportal.kiteaai.org/login>)

Account setup options:

School sets up account using your email

School provides registration code

Contact your student's case manager or teacher for access

Refer to [Parent Portal guide](#) for navigation instructions

Schools may also send individual score reports home

WIDA ACCESS for ELLs / Alternate ACCESS Test Results:

Provided by your student's case manager or teacher

Contact school directly for specific timing of results

Practice Tests

Parents may access the **NH SAS Student Practice Site** by going to the NH SAS Portal:

<https://nh.portal.cambiumast.com/families.html>.

College Board offers a range of SAT practice opportunities. Students who use the SAT practice tests are eligible for scholarships: [SAT Practice and Preparation – SAT Suite | College Board](#).

Dynamic Learning Maps provides [resources for parents](#) to support student learning and examples of the testlets students may receive during testing. New Hampshire is a Year-End Model state.

Preparing students for **ACCESS for ELLs Online** - Learn about the [ACCESS online test platform](#) and see the type of questions students will see on the test.

Average Testing Times

Grades 3-8	NH SAS	Dynamic Learning Maps (DLM) Alternate Assessment
English Language Arts / Reading	2 hours, 15 minutes	90-135 minutes
English Language Arts / Writing	2 hours	10-20 minutes
Mathematics	2 hours, 15 minutes	60-120 minutes
Grades 5, 8, 11	NH SAS - Science	DLM - Science
Science	2 hours	90-140 minutes
Grade 11	SAT School Day with Essay	DLM
English Language Arts and Mathematics	3 hours, 34 minutes	See testing times listed above for DLM English Language Arts / Reading, English Language Arts / Writing, and Mathematics