

Description of State Assessments

AAPPL Assessment of Performance toward Proficiency in Languages (grades 3-9)

Test given to students in the Dual Language Immersion program to check their proficiency of the target language.

ACT (grade 11)

An assessment that measures postsecondary readiness. The state-administered ACT includes English, reading, mathematics, science subtests.

Acadience Reading (grades K-3; optional for grades 4-6)

A brief literacy test, given 3 times during the school year (Beginning, Middle, End).

Early Literacy Alternate Assessment (grades 1-3)

A rubric based literacy skills test for students with significant cognitive disabilities, given 3 times during the school year (Beginning, Middle, End).

Early Mathematics Assessment (grades K-3)

A brief numeracy test, given 3 times during the school year (Beginning, Middle, End).

Early Mathematics Alternate Assessment (grades 1-3)

A rubric based mathematics skills test for students with significant cognitive disabilities, given 3 times during the school year (Beginning, Middle, End).

CTE Skill Certificate Assessments

Competency-based tests given to students when they complete a course in Career and Technical Education. Required for certification.

DLM Dynamic Learning Maps (grades 3-11)

Tests given at the end of the school year to students with significant cognitive disabilities to measure proficiency on the Alternate Achievement Standards (Essential Elements/Extended Core Science Standards) and school accountability

- DLM - English Language Arts (ELA) (grades 3-11)
- DLM - Mathematics (grades 3-11)
- DLM - Science (grades 4-11)

General Financial Literacy Assessment

Tests given to students when they complete the General Financial Literacy course.

High School Civics Exam

*A locally administered civics exam with questions from the U.S. immigration and naturalization test. Students need to correctly answer 35 out of 50 questions (alternate option available for students with disabilities). **Required for graduation.***

RISE Summative assessments (grades 3-8)

Tests given at the end of a course to measure students' proficiency on Utah Core Standards and school accountability

- English Language Arts (ELA) (grades 3-8)
- Writing (grades 5 and 8)
- Mathematics (grades 3-8)
- Science (grades 4-8)

RISE Interim assessments (grades 3-8)

Optional tests that schools may choose to give to check students' proficiency before a course is completed. Similar to the RISE Summative assessments in length.

- English Language Arts (ELA) (grades 3-8)
- Mathematics (grades 3-8)
- Science (grades 4-8)

RISE Benchmark Modules (grades 3-8)

Optional productivity tools for teachers to use to help them get feedback on students' learning of the Utah Core Standards at the Reporting Category level. These tools have approximately 8-13 questions.

- English Language Arts (ELA) (grades 3-8)
- Writing (grades 3-8)
- Mathematics (grades 3-8)
- Science (grades 4-8)

Utah Aspire Plus (grades 9-10)

Tests given at the end of the school year for all 9th and 10th graders, that include a combination of test questions from ACT Aspire and Utah's item bank.

- English (grades 9-10)
- Reading (grades 9-10)
- Mathematics (grades 9-10)
- Science (grades 9-10)

High School Core Benchmarks (grades 9-12)

Optional productivity tools for teachers to use to help them get feedback on students' learning of the Utah Core Standards at the Reporting Category level. These tools have approximately 8-13 questions.

- English Language Arts (ELA)
- Mathematics: Secondary Math I, II, and III
- Science: Earth Science, Biology, Chemistry, Physics