## Federal/State Law

**CATEGORY**
- Test Window
- Assessment
- Grades

**Assessment**
- TNReady Achievement Test
- TNReady End of Course
- TCAP-Alt / MSAA
- U.S. Civics Exam
- ACT
- NAEP
- Statewide Student Assessment Program (SSAP)
- Kindergarten Entry Inventory (KEI)
- WIDA ACCESS Placement Test for English Learners
- WIDA ACCESS for English Learners

**State of Tennessee and the US Department of Education.**

**Grades**
- 3 - 8: Students enrolled in certain high schools
- 9 - 12: Students enrolled in certain high schools

**TNReady**
- Grades 3 - 8
- Grades 9 - 12

**Tennessee Code Annotated (T.C.A.) §49-1-602.**

**Every Student Succeeds Act §1177 and the US Department of Education.**

**Purpose and Use**
- This assessment is designed for students with significant intellectual disabilities. It is based on a different set of content standards than the TNReady test. Students only take the TCAP-Alt / MSAA Assessment when the IEP team determines it is appropriate based on the student’s disability and needs.
- Students are required to take a United States Civics exam composed of selected questions administered as part of the U.S. Citizenship Test. Students may attempt the test multiple times during their high school career.
- The purpose of the ACT test is to measure a high school student’s readiness for college and provide colleges with one common data point that can be used to compare all applicants. Student ACT scores are also used to determine eligibility for the HOPE Scholarship.
- NAEP is a national test designed to help measure Tennessee’s academic performance against that of other states.
- The KEI is an observation tool that helps teachers to learn students’ strengths and opportunities for growth across the five domains of school readiness, as well as an optional sixth domain for English learners. The KEI results are used to create an individual learning profile for each student, which teachers utilize to tailor their instruction to meet the needs of each student.
- W-APT is the WIDA-ACCESS Placement Test for English learners who enroll for the first time in Tennessee and who have not established their English language proficiency levels. The W-APT determines whether a student is considered an English learner or is fluent English proficient (FEP). WIDA ACCESS is used to determine the English language proficiency levels of students who meet or exceed the cutoff score on the W-APT exam. Industry certifications are earned through secondary and postsecondary education programs and courses that are designed to measure and build the skills in their AP courses.

**Test Window**
- Fall Block: Dec 2 - 19, 2019
- Spring Block: Apr 15 - May 8, 2020
- March 16 - May 8, 2020
- School schedules as necessary

**NATIONAL ASSESSMENTS**
- NAEP is given to a representative sample of students across the country. Selected classes in selected grades in identified schools will be administered the NAEP.
- State Mandated
- Every Student Succeeds Act §1177

**SCREENERS FOR ACADEMIC SUPPORT**
- TNReady End of Course
- ACT
- WIDA ACCESS Placement Test for English Learners
- WIDA ACCESS for English Learners

**EARLY POST SECONDARY OPPORTUNITIES EXAMS**
- AP Exams
- Dual Credit Exams
- Industry Certificates Exams

**EARLY POST SECONDARY OPPORTUNITIES INDICATOR**
- Every Student Succeeds Act §1177

**EARLY POST SECONDARY OPPORTUNITIES VARY**
- State Mandated
- Every Student Succeeds Act §1177

**EARLY POST SECONDARY OPPORTUNITIES MEASURE**
- The U.S. Citizenship Test.
- All applicants.

**U.S. Department of Education.**

**NATIONAL ASSESSMENTS**
- NAEP
- Statewide Student Assessment Program (SSAP)
- Kindergarten Entry Inventory (KEI)

**NNATIONAL ASSESSMENTS**
- Students enrolled in certain high schools

**SCREENERS FOR ACADEMIC SUPPORT**
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**EARLY POST SECONDARY OPPORTUNITIES**
- Trade Credit Exams
- Industry Certificates Exams

**EARLY POST SECONDARY OPPORTUNITIES**
- Every Student Succeeds Act §1177

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- Every Student Succeeds Act §1177

**EARLY POST SECONDARY OPPORTUNITIES**
- State Mandated

**EARLY POST SECONDARY OPPORTUNITIES**
- Every Student Succeeds Act §1177 for the Ready Graduates Accountability Indicator

**industry certifications**
- WIDA ACCESS is used to determine the English language proficiency levels of students who meet or exceed the cutoff score on the W-APT exam.

**Performing Arts**
- WIDA ACCESS placement test is given to students who enroll for the first time in Tennessee and have not established their English language proficiency levels. The W-APT determines whether a student is considered an English learner or is fluent English proficient (FEP). WIDA ACCESS is used to determine the English language proficiency levels of students who meet or exceed the cutoff score on the W-APT exam.

**Industry certifications**
- Industry certifications are earned through secondary and postsecondary education programs and courses that are designed to teach the skills in their AP courses. Students who earn a qualifying score on an AP Exam can receive credit for the corresponding course at most accredited colleges.

**Industries**
- All students enrolled in a statewide dual credit course take the online challenge exam to assess mastery of the postsecondary-level learning in their AP courses. Students who earn a qualifying score on an AP Exam can receive credit for the corresponding course at most accredited colleges.
| Reporting | “Quick score” results are typically available the week before school ends, so teachers can calculate final grades. In the Summer, the state releases more detailed individual student reports. These are distributed by district office staff to schools and then shared with families. | The state releases individual student reports with details of performance. These are distributed by the district office staff to schools and then shared with families. | The school based test administrators scores these test and they are available soon after the test is given. School staff will then share the results with students and parents. | Student-level results are provided 3-8 weeks after the test is administered. Results are reported for groups of students with similar characteristics (e.g., gender, race and ethnicity, school location), not individual students. National results are available for all subjects assessed by NAEP. State and selected district results are available for mathematics, reading, and (in some assessment years) science and writing. Results are not shared at the student, school, or district level. State-level results are posted online six months after the test is given. | Results are available soon after the test is given. Results are available soon after the test is given. Results are available soon after the test is given. Results are provided through the online testing platforms upon completion of the exam. | Reports are distributed in accordance with specific industry certification testing measures. | Reports are distributed through the online testing platforms upon completion of the exams. | Results are available in July for the May exams. |
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