

Gaston County Schools

2025-2026 Test Administration Dates for State-Mandated Tests and Local Assessments

Test	Grades	Administration Dates	Assessment Type	Platform
WIDA Screener Placement Test	K-12	Aug. 13, 2025-May 20, 2026	State-Mandated	DRC Insight
NC Early Learning Inventory (NC ELI)	Kindergarten	Aug. 13-Nov. 21, 2025	State-Mandated	TS GOLD
AMC BOY Math Assessment	Kindergarten	Aug. 13-Sept. 5, 2025	Local Assessment	AMC
English 9 HMH Growth Measure (Fall Semester)	Grades 9-12	August 15, 2025	Local Assessment	HMH
English II HMH Growth Measure (Fall Semester)	Grades 9-12	August 15, 2025	Local Assessment	HMH
IXL Level-Up: Foundations of Mathematics	Grades 9-12	August 18-22, 2025	Local Assessment	IXL.com
iReady BOY Math Diagnostic	Grades 1-5	Aug. 18-Sept. 05, 2025	Local Assessment	iReady.com
mClass BOY Reading Benchmark Assessment	K-5	Aug. 20-Sept. 10, 2025	State-Mandated	Amplify
IXL Level Up: ELA	Grades 6-8	August 25-29, 2025	Local Assessment	IXL.com
IXL Level Up: Math	Grades 6-8	August 25-29, 2025	Local Assessment	IXL.com
Beginning of Grade 3 Reading Test (BOG3)	Grade 3	August 27, 2025	State-Mandated	NCTest
English II Interim #1 (Fall Semester)	Grades 9-12	September 15, 2025	Local Assessment	SchoolNet
Math Interim #1	Grade 6	September 15, 2025	Local Assessment	SchoolNet
ELA Interim #1	Grades 6-8	September 16, 2025	Local Assessment	SchoolNet
English 9 Interim Assessment #1 (Fall Semester)	Grades 9-12	September 17, 2025	Local Assessment	SchoolNet
NC Math 1 Interim #1 (Fall Semester)	Grades 9-12	September 18, 2025	Local Assessment	SchoolNet
NC Check-In: Biology - Molecules to Organisms (Fall)	Grades 9-12	September 19 & 22, 2025	Local Assessment	NCTest
Social Studies Interim #1 (Fall Semester)	Grades 6-8	September 22, 2025	Local Assessment	NCTest
Math Interim #1	Grade 7	September 23, 2025	Local Assessment	SchoolNet

Credit By Demonstrated Mastery (Fall)	Grades 9-12	September 24, 2025	State-Mandated	NCTest
Math Interim #1	Grade 8	September 25, 2025	Local Assessment	SchoolNet
NC Check-Ins 2.0 Mathematics-A	Grades 5	October 6-7, 2025	Local Assessment	NCTest
Science Interim #1	Grade 5	October 8, 2025	Local Assessment	SchoolNet
Math Interim #1	Grade 4	October 14, 2025	Local Assessment	SchoolNet
NC Check-In: Physical Science (Year Long)	Grade 8	October 14-15, 2025	Local Assessment	NCTest
PSAT-NMSQT	Grades 10 & 11	October 14-17, 2025	Local Assessment	Bluebook
English 9 Interim #2 (Fall Semester)	Grades 9-12	October 15, 2025	Local Assessment	SchoolNet
English II Interim #2 (Fall Semester)	Grades 9-12	October 15, 2025	Local Assessment	SchoolNet
Math Interim #1	Grade 3	October 21, 2025	Local Assessment	SchoolNet
NC Check-Ins: NC Math 1-A (Fall Semester)	Grades 9-12	October 21-22, 2025	Local Assessment	NCTest
NC Check-Ins: NC Math 3-A (Fall Semester)	Grades 9-12	October 21-22, 2025	Local Assessment	NCTest
Read to Achieve Test for Transitional 4th Graders	Grade 4	October 22, 2025	State-Mandated	NCTest
ELA Interim #2	Grade 6	October 22, 2025	Local Assessment	SchoolNet
ELA Interim #2	Grade 7	October 23, 2025	Local Assessment	SchoolNet
NC Check-In: Biology - Heredity (Fall Semester)	Grades 9-12	October 23-24, 2025	Local Assessment	NCTest
NC Check-Ins: English II-B (Fall Semester)	Grades 9-12	October 23-24, 2025	Local Assessment	NCTest
PreACT	Grade 10	Oct. 27-Nov. 7, 2025	State-Mandated	ACT TestNav
College & Career Readiness Alternative Assessment (CCRAA; PreACT alternative)	Grade 10	Oct. 27-Nov. 7, 2025	State-Mandated	NCTest
ELA Interim #2	Grade 7	October 28, 2025	Local Assessment	SchoolNet
Math Interim #2	Grade 6	October 29, 2025	Local Assessment	SchoolNet
Social Studies Interim #2 (Fall Semester)	Grades 6-8	November 3, 2025	Local Assessment	SchoolNet

NC Math 1 Interim #2 (Fall Semester)	Grades 9-12	November 3, 2025	Local Assessment	SchoolNet
Math Interim #1	Grade 5	November 5, 2025	Local Assessment	SchoolNet
Math Interim #2	Grade 8	November 12, 2025	Local Assessment	SchoolNet
NC Check-Ins 2.0 Reading-A	Grades 3-5	November 18-19, 2025	Local Assessment	NCTest
Math Interim #2	Grade 7	November 18, 2025	Local Assessment	SchoolNet
NC Check-In: Biology - Biological Evolution(Fall Semester)	Grades 9-12	November 19-20, 2025	Local Assessment	NCTest
NC Check-Ins 2.0 Mathematics-A	Grades 3 & 4	November 20-21, 2025	Local Assessment	NCTest
Science Interim #2	Grade 5	November 20, 2025	Local Assessment	SchoolNet
ACT WorkKeys for Early/December Graduates	Grade 12	Nov. 24-25; Dec. 1-5, 2025	State-Mandated	ACT Online
ELA Interim #3	Grades 6-8	December 2, 2025	Local Assessment	SchoolNet
English 9 Interim #3 (Fall Semester)	Grades 9-12	December 2, 2025	Local Assessment	SchoolNet
English II Interim #3 (Fall Semester)	Grades 9-12	December 2, 2025	Local Assessment	SchoolNet
NC Math 1 Interim #3 (Fall Semester)	Grades 9-12	December 3, 2025	Local Assessment	SchoolNet
Math Interim #2	Grade 5	December 5, 2025	Local Assessment	SchoolNet
NC Check-Ins: Biology - Ecosystems (Fall Semester)	Grades 9-12	December 5 & 8, 2025	Local Assessment	NCTest
NC Check-Ins 2.0 Reading-C	Grades 6 & 8	December 8-9, 2025	Local Assessment	NCTest
NC Check-Ins 2.0 Reading-B	Grade 7	December 8-9, 2025	Local Assessment	NCTest
IXL Level-Up: Foundations of Mathematics	Grades 9-12	December 8-12, 2025	Local Assessment	IXL.com
Math Interim #2	Grade 4	December 9, 2025	Local Assessment	SchoolNet
NC Check-Ins 2.0 Mathematics-B	Grade 8	December 10-11, 2025	Local Assessment	NCTest
NC Check-Ins 2.0 NC Math 1-A	Grade 8	December 10-11, 2025	Local Assessment	NCTest
NC Check-Ins 2.0 Mathematics-A	Grade 6 & 7	December 10-11, 2025	Local Assessment	SchoolNet

NC Check-In: Life Science	Grade 5	December 11-12, 2025	Local Assessment	NCTest
Math Interim #2	Grade 3	December 15, 2025	Local Assessment	SchoolNet
End-of-Course Tests (Early Colleges <u>AND</u> (Traditional High Schools)**	Grades 9-12	December 15-19, 2025	State-Mandated	NCTest
iReady MOY Math Diagnostic	Grades 1-5	January 6-23, 2026	Local Assessment	iReady.com
mClass MOY Reading Benchmark Assessment	K-5	January 6-27, 2026	State-Mandated	Amplify
AMC MOY Math Assessment	Kindergarten	January 6-23, 2026	Local Assessment	AMC
English 9 HMH Growth Measure (Spring Semester)	Grades 9-12	January 8, 2026	Local Assessment	HMH
English II HMH Growth Measure (Spring Semester)	Grades 9-12	January 8, 2026	Local Assessment	HMH
WIDA ACCESS for ELLs Tests	K-12	January 12-March 12, 2026	State-Mandated	DRC Insight
Math Interim #3	Grade 7	January 13, 2026	Local Assessment	SchoolNet
Math Interim #3	Grade 6	January 14, 2026	Local Assessment	SchoolNet
NC Check-Ins Earth & Space Science (Yearlong)	Grade 8	January 21-22, 2026	Local Assessment	NCTest
Math Interim #3	Grade 8	January 22, 2026	Local Assessment	NCTest
NC Check-In: Earth Science	Grade 5	January 28-29, 2026	Local Assessment	NCTest
ELA Interim #4	Grade 7	February 3, 2026	Local Assessment	SchoolNet
NC Check-Ins 2.0 Mathematics-B	Grades 3 & 4	February 3-4, 2026	Local Assessment	NCTest
Math Interim #3	Grade 5	February 3, 2026	Local Assessment	SchoolNet
NC Check-In Physical Science (2nd Semester)	Grade 8	February 4-5, 2026	Local Assessment	NCTest
NC Check-Ins 2.0 Reading-B	Grades 3-5	February 5-6, 2026	Local Assessment	NCTest
English II Interim #1 (Spring Semester)	Grades 9-12	February 9, 2026	Local Assessment	SchoolNet
Social Studies Interim #1 (Spring Semester)	Grades 6-8	February 9, 2026	Local Assessment	SchoolNet
ELA Interim #4	Grade 8	February 10, 2026	Local Assessment	SchoolNet

English 9 Interim #1 (Spring Semester)	Grades 9-12	February 10, 2026	Local Assessment	SchoolNet
PreACT 8/9	Grade 8	February 10-12, 2026	Local Assessment	ACT Online
ELA Interim #4	Grade 6	February 11, 2026	Local Assessment	SchoolNet
NC Math 1 Interim #1 (Spring Semester)	Grades 9-12	February 11, 2026	Local Assessment	SchoolNet
NC Check-Ins: Biology - Molecules to Organisms (Spring)	Grades 9-12	February 17-18, 2026	Local Assessment	NCTest
Credit By Demonstrated Mastery (Spring)	Grades 9-12	February 16, 2026	State-Mandated	NCTest
ACT Online Testing Window	Grade 11	February 24-March 6, 2026	State-Mandated	ACT Online
College & Career Readiness Alternative Assessment for Grade 11 (CCRAA for Grade 11; ACT alternative)	Grade 11	February 24-March 6, 2026	State-Mandated	NCTest
NCEXTEND1 for Grade 11 (ACT Alternate)	Grade 11	February 24-March 6, 2026	State-Mandated	NCTest
Science Interim #3	Grade 5	February 24, 2026	Local Assessment	SchoolNet
Math Interim #4	Grade 6	February 25, 2026	Local Assessment	SchoolNet
Math Interim #4	Grades 7 & 8	February 26, 2026	Local Assessment	SchoolNet
Math Interim #3	Grades 3 & 4	March 3, 2026	Local Assessment	SchoolNet
NC Check-Ins: NC Math 1-A (Spring Semester)	Grades 9-12	March 9-10, 2026	Local Assessment	NCTest
NC Check-Ins: NC Math 3-A (Spring Semester)	Grades 9-12	March 9-10, 2026	Local Assessment	NCTest
English 9 Interim #2 (Spring Semester)	Grades 9-12	March 10, 2026	Local Assessment	SchoolNet
NC Check-Ins: English II-B (Spring Semester)	Grades 9-12	March 11-12, 2026	Local Assessment	NCTest
NC Check-In: Earth & Space Science (2nd Semester)	Grade 8	March 16-17, 2026	Local Assessment	NCTest
CogAT (IQ Test)	Grade 2	March 16-27, 2026	Local Assessment	Riverside Insights
ACT WorkKeys Spring Administration	Grade 12	March 16-27, 2026	State-Mandated	ACT Online
English II Interim #2 (Spring Semester)	Grades 9-12	March 17, 2026	Local Assessment	SchoolNet
NC Check-In: Biology - Heredity (Spring Semester)	Grades 9-12	March 23-24, 2026	Local Assessment	NCTest

Social Studies Interim #2 (Spring Semester)	Grades 6-8	March 23, 2026	Local Assessment	SchoolNet
ELA Interim #4	Grade 6	March 24, 2026	Local Assessment	SchoolNet
NC Check-In: Physical Science	Grade 5	March 24-25, 2026	Local Assessment	NCTest
ELA Interim #4	Grade 8	March 25, 2026	Local Assessment	SchoolNet
NC Check-Ins 2.0 Mathematics-B	Grade 5	March 26-27, 2026	Local Assessment	NCTest
ELA Interim #4	Grade 7	March 31, 2026	Local Assessment	SchoolNet
Math Interim #4	Grade 3 & 4	March 31, 2026	Local Assessment	SchoolNet
NC Math 1 Interim #2 (Spring Semester)	Grades 9-12	March 31, 2026	Local Assessment	SchoolNet
NC Check-In: Life Science (Year Long)	Grade 8	April 17 & 20, 2026	Local Assessment	SchoolNet
mClass EOY Reading Benchmark Assessment	Grade 3	April 20-May 5, 2026	State-Mandated	Amplify
mClass EOY Reading Benchmark Assessment	K-2 & 4-5	April 20-May 8, 2026	State-Mandated	Amplify
NC Check-In: Biology - Biological Evolution (Spring Semester)	Grades 9-12	April 22-23, 2026	Local Assessment	NCTest
Math Interim #5	Grades 7 & 8	April 23, 2026	Local Assessment	SchoolNet
Math Interim #5	Grade 6	April 27, 2026	Local Assessment	SchoolNet
EOY Math Summative Assessment	K-2	April 27-May 19, 2026	State-Mandated	NC DPI
English 9 Interim #3 (Spring Semester)	Grades 9-12	April 28, 2026	Local Assessment	SchoolNet
NC Check-In: Life Science (2nd Semester)	Grade 8	April 29-30, 2026	Local Assessment	NCTest
English II Interim #3 (Spring Semester)	Grades 9-12	April 30, 2026	Local Assessment	SchoolNet
NC Math 1 Interim #3	Grades 9-12	May 6, 2026	Local Assessment	SchoolNet
NC Check-In: Biology - Ecosystems (Spring Semester)	Grades 9-12	May 7-8, 2026	Local Assessment	NCTest
NCEXTEND1 for Grades 3-8 and 10	Grades 3-8 & 10	May 7-20, 2026	State Mandated	NCTest
End-of-Grade (EOG) Reading Test, Mathematics Test, Science Test (Gr8) and NC Math 1 (Gr8): <i>Subject to be</i>	Grades 3-8	May 7-20, 2026	State-Mandated	NCTest

<i>tested on a specific day is determined by the individual elementary or middle school. Please contact your child's school for testing dates and times.</i>				
Grade 3 Reading EOG Retest: <i>Specific retesting date determined by the individual elementary school. Please contact your child's school for testing dates and times.</i>	Grade 3	May 12-20, 2026	State-Mandated	NCTest
End-of-Course Tests (Early Colleges)**	Grades 9-12	May 13-19, 2026	State-Mandated	NCTest
End-of-Course Tests (Traditional High Schools)**	Grades 9-12	May 14-20, 2026	State-Mandated	NCTest
Summer Program EOG Retests: Reading	Grades 4-8	To Be Determined by Board of Education Vote	Optional Assessment	NCTest
Summer Program EOG Retests: Mathematics	Grades 3-8	To Be Determined by Board of Education Vote	Optional Assessment	NCTest
Summer Program EOG Retests: Science	Grades 5 & 8	To Be Determined by Board of Education Vote	Optional Assessment	NCTest
Summer Program EOC Retests (Early Colleges): Biology, English II, NC Math 1, and NC Math 3	Grades 9-12	To Be Determined by Board of Education Vote	Optional Assessment	NCTest
Summer Program EOC Retests (Traditional High Schools): Biology, English II, NC Math 1, and NC Math 3	Grades 9-12	To Be Determined by Board of Education Vote	Optional Assessment	NCTest
Read to Achieve Test Summer Reading Camp	Grade 3	June 23, 2026	State-Mandated	NCTest
Credit By Demonstrated Mastery (Summer)	Grades 9-12	July 22, 2026	State-Mandated	NCTest

Notes	** = Final exam schedules to be determined by GCS Board of Education
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