2023-2024 Assessment Information
Frederick Area School District

This table is to provide students and parents with information about local and state assessments given to students across the district. Should you have any questions about any of the assessments listed, please contact our Testing Coordinator, Jessica Ringgenberg, at 605-329-2145 or Jessica.Ringgenberg@k12.sd.us.

Name of Assessment	Subject Matter Assessed	Grades Administered	Purpose	It is required? By whom?	Approximate time spent when administered	Dates Administered or Testing Window	Reporting Results
Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery (ASVAB)	• English • Math • Science	11	This test is used as a military placement exam, it is also used as a good practice test for the ACT. This test can also be used to determine career aptitudes when results are discussed with an interpreter.	No	3 hours	Nov. 1, 2023	Given to juniors in a presentation by an ASVAB interpreter. Approximately a month after testing.
National Career Readiness Certificate (NCRC)	• Applied Math • Workplace Documents • Graphic Literacy	11	This test certifies that students have the essential skills for workplace success. Employers look for it from job candidates, whether they come directly from high school or through postsecondary paths, because it is a valid predictor of job performance.	Yes, by the Frederick Area School.	3 hours	March 5, 2024	Earned certificates are distributed to juniors within a month of testing.

National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP)	• Math • Reading	4 and 8	A congressionally mandated test used to continuously monitor the knowledge, skills, and performance of the nation's youth.	Yes, by the state department.	4 hours	Feb. 8, 2024	No individual results are given but scores used as state/country guide to education progress.
South Dakota ELA/Math Assessment	• Language • Math	3-8 and 11	The South Dakota ELA/Math Assessments are tests aligned to the Common Core State Standards in English language arts and math. The system uses computer adaptive testing technologies to provide meaningful feedback and data that teachers and other educators can use to help students succeed.	Yes with exception of those taking MSAA. Required by the state department.	6-7 hours	March 25 2024--April 25, 2024 *Specific dates are announced in FYI and weekly newsletters.*	Elementary scores are sent home with final report cards in Thursday folders. Junior High/High School scores are mailed home with final report cards.
MSAA	• Language • Math	3-8 and 11	This test is aligned with special needs standards in English and Mathematics. It is given to a very small population of students to better fit their needs and standards as compared to South Dakota ELA/Math Assessments.	Yes, but only for a special population of students.	5-6 hours	March 25, 2024—April 25, 2024 *Specific dates are announced in FYI and weekly newsletters.*	Results are mailed home as they are available, typically the following September.

South Dakota Science or Science Alt.		5, 8, and 11	This test measures students' mastery of the South Dakota State Academic Standards in Science. It covers the grade spans of 3-5, 6-8, and high school. Questions will come from life, physical, and earth sciences at all 3 tested levels. Data gathered from this assessment is used to drive curriculum, course guidelines, and student efficiencies.	Yes, required by the state department.	2-3 hours	March 25, 2024—April 25, 2024 *Specific dates are announced in FYI and weekly newsletters.*	Junior High/High School results are mailed home with final report cards if available, if not the following September. Elementary are sent home in Thursday folders either with final report cards or the following September depending on availability.