2026-27 Sweetwater City Schools Assessment Calendar					
Testing Window	**Assessment**	**Grade Levels**	**Purpose and Use**	**Subject and Time**	**Parents Informed**
August 3 – 28	Literacy Tasks (State required)	K-3	Literacy screener	ELA	K-3 parents receive letter if students identified as having "significant reading deficits."
August 3 – 28	iReady Benchmark Window #1/ Diagnostic Assessment (State required)	Grades K-8, all students	Fall Screener, diagnostic assessment	ELA/Math (45 minutes)	Parent report sent home with each benchmark. K-3 parents receive letter if students identified as having "significant reading deficits."
Sept 14-Dec 18	TCAP Alt./ELA & Math(State required)	Grades 3-High School	Measure academic achievement against modified, more accessible academic standards.	ELA & Math Testing time vary according to individual students.	Student reports provided by State.
Fall/Spring--Ongoing	Middle School Aptitude Test	7th grade	Screen for career aptitude and interests	Schools to determine schedule on this date.	Results shared upon request.
October – December	Formative Assessments/Various (District Required)	Grades 3-11	Measure progress/standards mastery throughout the year in tested subjects; use for planning instruction	Grades 3-8 ELA Grades 3-8 Math Grades 6-8—Science/Social Studies Grades 9-11—English 9, English 10, Algebra I , Algebra II, Geometry, Biology	Results shared upon request.
October 9	ACT Senior Retake Date (State required): COMPUTER BASED	Grade 12	College Readiness	English (45 min); Math (60 min); Reading (35 min); Science (35 min).	Student reports provided by ACT.
October 9	ASVAB (District recommended)	Grade 11	Multiple aptitude battery that predicts future academic/ occupational success	10 Subtests measure both academic performance and vocational aptitude.	Student scores are released to the high school.
December 7 – January 15	iReady Literacy Tasks	Grades K-3 ELA	Winter Screener subtests	ELA only (varies by student)	Results shared upon request.

December 1 – December 18	iReady Benchmark Window #2 (District Required)	Grades K-8	Measure progress/standards mastery throughout the year in tested subjects; use for planning instruction	ELA (December)/Math (January) (45 minutes)	Parent report sent home with each benchmark.
February 1 - March 26	ELPA21/English Learner Assessment (State Required)	Grades K-12, ELL students only	Evaluate English language proficiency	NOTE: All students, including Virtual School students, must participate in person.	Student reports provided by State.
February 1 – May 21	TCAP Alt. ELA & Math (State required)	Grades 3-High School	Measure academic achievement against modified, more accessible academic standards.	ELA & Math, computer based Testing time vary according to individual students.	Student reports provided by State.
February/March (*Weather dependent)	Formative Assessments/Various (District Required)	Grades 2-11	Measure progress/standards mastery throughout the year in tested subjects; use for planning instruction	Grades 2-8 ELA Grades 3-8 Math Grades 6-8—Science/Social Studies Grades 9-11—English 9, English 10, Algebra I, Algebra II, Geometry, Biology	Results shared upon request.
March 15-April 30	TCAP Alt. Sci & SS	Grades 3-High School	Measure academic achievement against modified, more accessible academic standards.	Sci & SS, paper based Testing time vary according to individual students.	Student reports provided by State.
March 25	ACT (State Required): COMPUTER BASED	Grade 11	College Readiness	English (35 min); Math (50 min); Reading (40 min); Science (40 min).	Student reports provided by ACT.
March 25	Pre-ACT (District Required): COMPUTER BASED	Grade 10	College Readiness Practice ACT	English (35 min); Math (50 min); Reading (40 min); Science (40 min).	Results shared upon request.
April 7 - 14	TCAP ACH 3 – 8 Writing Assessment PAPER BASED (3-5) COMPUTER BASED (6-8)	Grades 3-8	Measure student mastery and growth in writing standards.	District specific dates TBD; make-ups to be given throughout the window. For testing times, see 2026-27 TCAP ACH Testing Times.	
April 19 – May 6 (state window)	TCAP ACH 3-8 (State required): PAPER BASED (3-5) COMPUTER BASED (6-8)	Grades 3-8	Measure student mastery and growth on state standards.	District specific dates TBD: Make-ups to be given throughout the window. For testing times, see 2026-27 TCAP ACH Testing Times	Quick scores used to calculate final grades, which will count as 15% of a student's final grade.

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April 19 – May 6 (state window)	TCAP EOC (State required): COMPUTER BASED	Grades 9-11 (Spring Semester Block Courses and Yearlong Courses)	Measure student mastery and growth on state standards.	English 9/10, Algebra I/II, Geometry, Biology, US History For specific testing times, see 2026-27 EOC Testing Times	Quick scores used to calculate final grades, which will count as 15% of a student's final grade. Student reports provided by State.
April 19 - May 11	Literacy Task Window (State Required)	Grades K-2, all students	Spring Screener	ELA	Parent report sent home with each benchmark.
May 4 – 12	iReady Benchmark Window #3 (District Required)	Grades 3-8, all students	Spring Benchmark #3	ELA/Math (45 minutes)	Parent report sent home with each benchmark.
May 3 – 14	AIMSWEB (State required)	Grade 3	State-provided universal reading screener, pathway to 4th grade	ELA (90 minutes)	Results shared with parents.
May TBD	TCAP ACH 3rd Grade Retake	Grade 3 ELA select students	Measure student mastery and growth on state standards	TCAP Retake opportunity provided for 3rd grade students per Tennessee's 3rd grade promotion law (T.C.A. § 49-6-3115)	Results provided by State.

*This schedule to be updated as needed with more specific testing dates and/or changes as information becomes available. A specific schedule detailing high school assessments will also be posted when available.