

DATA LIFE CYCLE

The Connecticut State Department of Education (CSDE) collects vast amounts of data about students, schools, and educators. This information undergoes a rigorous procedure of collection, review, and validation before it is reported to the public. Here's how that process works.





DAY-TO-DAY
COLLECTION PHASE

In this phase, data "happens" and is collected/reported in the district's local system.



DATA SUBMISSION PREPLANNING PHASE

Districts should review and scrub their data before submitting it for a CSDE collection.

Districts should appropriately review available reporting guidance, including the collection's record layout, before the initial data submission phase.



INITIAL DATA SUBMISSION PHASE (TO CSDE)

Districts submit data to CSDE according to published deadlines in the CSDE Data Acquisition Plan.

Data should be timely!



DATA REVIEW

Districts *must* review their initial data submissions and make corrections as needed.

Data should be 100% accurate!



DATA CERTIFICATION PHASE

Stand by your data!

The appropriate certified district administrator must complete the certification of the data.



CSDE DATA REVIEW PHASE

CSDE data managers review certified district data, clean the data, and work with districts to resolve questionable data and anomalies.

CSDE conducts final data scrubbing.



DATA FREEZE

CSDE freezes all certified data in preparation for public reporting, analysis, and loading into the Department's data warehouse.



Frozen student-level and aggregate data is supplied to EdSight for public reporting.

Data is now free to be used in various federal and state reports, ad-hoc data requests, special analyses, and external studies.

At this point, several data indicators are used in the Next Generation Accountability model, which is used to measure district and school progress and fuel school improvement.



Mission accomplished.

Data Collections

Collection	Data Year	Open Date	Submission Due Date (TIMELY)	Final Revision Date (ACCURATE)	FREEZE DATES
Public School Information System (PSIS) Registration	2025-26	Always Open	Cases Resolved within 10 school days.	No Open Cases more than 20 school days old.	N/A
2025-26 Summer Roll Up	2025-26	Always Open	N/A	August 1, 2025	N/A
Monthly Student Attendance	2025-26	1st of Every month	10 th of the month	N/A	N/A
October	2025-26	October 1, 2025	October 30, 2025	January 8, 2026	F0 Nov 1, 2025 F1 Jan 31, 2026 F2 March 1, 2027
June	2025-26	1st week of June 2026	July 1, 2026	July 19, 2026	July 29, 2026
Student Address Collection - Fall	2025-26	Fall-November 1 st	November 15, 2025	N/A	N/A
Student Address Collection - Spring	2025-26	Spring-May 1st	May 20, 2026	N/A	N/A
Teacher - Course - Student (TCS)	2025-26	October 2025	July 8, 2026	August 19, 2026	September 2, 2026
Student Achievement Module (SAM, housed within TCS)	2025-26	October 2025	N/A	August 19, 2026	September 2, 2026
ED166: Student Disciplinary Offense Collection	2025-26	October 2025	July 8, 2026	August 19, 2026	September 2, 2026
Due Process Hearing Requests - Resolution Meetings	2025-26	Always Open	15 business day reporting rule	N/A	August 1, 2026
CT-SEDS Evaluation Timelines (APR Ind. 11)	2025-26	Always Open	N/A	N/A	November 15, 2026
CT-SEDS Oct 1 Child Count (previously SEDAC)	2025-26	Always Open	N/A	N/A	December 1, 2025
CT-SEDS Restraint & Seclusion	2025-26	Always Open	2 business day reporting rule	2-week revision rule	August 1, 2026
Early Childhood Outcomes (ECO)	2025-26	Always Open	Pretest October 1, 2025 Posttest June 30, 2026	October 15, 2026	November 1, 2026
Kindergarten Inventory	2025-26	October 15, 2025	December 5, 2025	January 9, 2026	February 27, 2026
Directory Manager: Verification of Facilities	2025-26	Always Open	May 28, 2025	June 15, 2025	N/A
Directory Manager: Verification of Users/Roles	2025-26	Always Open	N/A	N/A	N/A
ED159: Nonpublic School Report	2025-26	October 1, 2025	N/A	November 3, 2025	N/A
ED165: Connecticut School Data Report	2025-26	September 15, 2025	October 20, 2025	November 14, 2025	December 15, 2025
Noncertified Staff Collection	2025-26	November 3, 2025	December 17, 2025	January 7, 2026	January 31, 2026
Educator Data System - Beginning of year	2025-26	Always Open	September 15, 2025	October 31, 2025	February 1, 2026 10/1 Reporting Extract
Educator Data System - End of Year Certification	2025-26	June 1, 2026	June 30, 2026	July 18, 2026	July 24, 2026
ED204: Title I Part D Neglected and Delinquent Evaluation	2025-26	September 18, 2025	October 16, 2025	October 21, 2025	N/A
ED205: Title I Evaluation Report	2025-26	September 11, 2025	October 16, 2025	October 21, 2025	N/A
Profile and Performance Report (PPR) Narratives	2025-26	May 1, 2026	May 29, 2026	June 26, 2026	July 8, 2026
Educator Vacancy Survey Collection 1	2025-26	August 11, 2025	N/A	August 25, 2025	N/A
Collection 2	2025-26	February 9, 2026	N/A	February 23, 2026	N/A

Testing Windows and Related Dates

Test	Window/Dates		
English Language Proficiency - LAS Links	January 5 - March 6, 2026		
Connecticut Alternate Assessment English Language Proficiency (CAAELP)	January 12 - March 6, 2026		
Connecticut Smarter Balanced Summative Assessments	March 23 - May 29, 2026		
Connecticut SAT School Day	March 2 - April 30, 2026		
Connecticut Alternate Assessment (CTAA)	March 23 - May 29, 2026		
Next Generation Science Standards (NGSS) Summative Assessments	March 23 - May 29, 2026 (Grade 11 begins on February 2, 2026)		
Connecticut Alternate Science (CTAS) Assessment (Upload Window through the Data Entry Interface)	Upload Dates: March 23 - May 29, 2026 (The CTAS can be administered all year)		
Secure Browser Go Live	TBD		
Test Information Delivery Engine (TIDE) Go Live	September 22, 2025		
Centralized Reporting System (CRS)	September 22, 2025		
Assessment Viewing Application (AVA)	September 22, 2025		
Smarter Balanced Interim Assessments Go Live	September 22, 2025		
NGSS Interims	TBD (August 27, 2025)		
Data Entry Interface (DEI)	March 23 - May 29, 2026		
Data Recognition Corporation 2023-24 INSIGHT opening	December 8, 2025		
K-3 Literacy Assessments	Beginning of Year (BOY): September 8, 2025 - October 17, 2025 Middle of Year (MOY): December 8, 2025 - February 6, 2026 End of Year (EOY): April 20, 2026 - June 5, 2026		

Assessment Related Collections

Assessment Accommodations/Alternate Assessments	Open Date	Submission Due Date (TIMELY)	Final Revision Date (ACCURATE)
Connecticut SAT School Day Accommodations Entry through College Board's SSD	November 2025	N/A	Estimated January 13, 2026
Accommodations/Designated Supports Collections via TIDE – Smarter Balanced, NGSS	September 22, 2025	Must be submitted prior to testing	May 29, 2025
LAS Links Accommodation Entry Window	December 2025	March 2026	March 2026
Connecticut Physical Fitness Assessment (CPFA) Individual Student Collection	April 2026	June 18, 2026	July 17, 2026

Important Miscellaneous Testing Collections/Dates

Collections	Open Date	Submission Due Date (TIMELY)	Final Revision Date (ACCURATE)
LAS Links Domain Exemptions	November 2025	December 2025	March 6, 2026
CAAELP Domain Exemptions	TBD	February 27, 2026	February 27, 2026
Medical Exemptions (LAS Links/CAAELP)	N/A	As requested, until 1 week after test window closes	March 13, 2026
Medical Exemptions (Smarter Balanced, NGSS, CT SAT School Day, CTAA, CTAS)	Processed at the end of testing window	As requested, until 1 week after test window closes	CT SAT School Day: May 8, 2026 CAAELP March 13, 2026 NGSS, Smarter Balanced, CTAA, CTAS: June 5, 2026
Appeals Entry – LAS Links	January 5, 2026	N/A	March 6, 2026
Appeals Entry - CAAELP	Processed throughout testing window	N/A	January 12 - March 6, 2026
Appeals Entry – Smarter Balanced, NGSS, CTAS, and CTAA	Processed throughout testing window	N/A	May 29, 2026
Alternate Assessment Eligibilty (Eligibility form within CT-SEDS for accurate rostering)	N/A	ELP Assessments (CAAELP) and Grade 11 December 22, 2025 CTAA/CTAS Grades 3-8 February 2, 2026	CAAELP and Grade 11 February 2, 2025, and CTAA/CTAS Grades 3-8 May 25, 2026
Early Stopping Rule	TBD	N/A	DA Submission of ESR Requests: CAAELP- January 12, 2026; CTAA/CTAS- March 2, 2026

PSIS Freeze Zero Populated to TIDE

Current PSIS Registration Populated to College Board

Smarter Balanced Interim Assessment Reporting Portal (CRS) - Go Live

November 2025

TBD

TBD (August 27, 2025)