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Individual Student Reports for Smarter Balanced Assessment

Individual Student Reports (ISRs) will be sent to school districts by mid-September.

Summative Assessment Results for 2017-18

Secure access is available for districts to their own preliminary Smarter Balanced and Connecticut Alternate Assessment (CTAA) results from 2017-18. These results can be retrieved through the Online Reporting System (ORS) by authorized users.

As a reminder, since this was a field test year, there are no performance results for the Next Generation Science Standards (NGSS) Standard Assessment or the Connecticut Alternate Science Assessment (CTAS).

Aggregate results for all districts, schools, and student groups, are expected to be available through EdSight in late August.

The ORS users can contact the American Institutes for Research (AIR) Help Desk at 844-202-7583 for assistance with logging into the ORS. Users may also contact the Connecticut State Department of Education (CSDE) Performance Office staff at CTStudentAssessment@ct.gov with any questions.

2018 Administration Appreciation and Feedback

Thank you for your efforts regarding the 2018 state assessments. The CSDE appreciates the work done by all involved in the administration of the Connecticut SAT School Day, Smarter Balanced Assessment, NGSS Standard Assessment, the Connecticut Alternate Assessment (CTAA) and Connecticut Alternative Science (CTAS).

We welcome feedback from districts and schools about the 2018 administration. Two surveys are available to complete. A [survey](#) about the administration of the **Connecticut SAT School Day** is available, and a [survey](#) about the **Smarter Balanced Summative Assessments and CTAA** is also available. Each survey will take approximately 5 minutes to complete.

DAs should have received an e-mail from Marlene Chameroy on July 10, 2018, requesting any updates to the District Administrator (DA) listing in TIDE, in preparation for the upcoming 2018-19 school year. Please contact [Marlene](#) if you did not receive this e-mail.



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Performance Matters Forum Registration Open

[Registration](#) for the 2018 Performance Matters Forum is now open. The forum is scheduled for **Tuesday, September 11, 2018**, from 8:30 to 4:00 at the Red Lion Hotel (formerly the Radisson) in Cromwell, CT. Please visit the Forum site at <https://portal.ct.gov/SDE/Performance/Performance-Matters-Forum/2018/Performance-Matters-Forum-2018> for detailed session information and registration.

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[Performance-Matters-Forum-2018](#) for detailed session information and registration.

This forum is an excellent opportunity to engage with CSDE staff on a variety of topics including assessment, research and accountability, EdSight, and data collections. Four 90-minute session blocks are offered with a choice from among seven sessions per block. It is also a great place to network with educators from around the state.

This event is free of charge and is intended for Connecticut educators, administrators and education leaders. Given the seven session choices in each session block, districts are strongly encouraged to attend as a team.

Please contact [Gil Andrada](#) if you have any questions.

2018 PSAT for Alliance and CTECS Districts and 2019 AP Exam Fees for All Low-Income Students

The CSDE will cover the cost for the October 2018 administration of the PSAT for Grade 11 students who attend Alliance Districts and Connecticut Technical Education and Career System (CTECS). Additionally, the CSDE and College Board will cover the entire cost of the 2019 Advanced Placement (AP) exam fees for all low-income students who attend public school in Connecticut.

The CSDE has a process with the College Board to redirect bill the CSDE for Grade 11 students who take the October 2018 PSAT from Alliance and CTECS districts. Schools don't need to do anything other than test the students and the billing will take care of itself. **However, please make sure that Grade 11 students properly grid their year of graduation (YOG) on the PSAT answer sheet. Mis-grids and blank YOG will result in your school getting billed for those students.** Please order the exams as you would normally do. If you have any questions, contact [Michelle Rosado](#).

English Learner Identification Policy Update , Ordering Process and Updates to ELACs

A [memo](#) was sent on June 13, 2018, to all English Learner Assessment Coordinators (ELACs), Title III Coordinators and District Administrators indicated in TIDE. It describes the identification policy update and ordering process for identification materials. The ordering survey is now closed. Please contact [Janet Stuck](#) to place orders for pre-LAS identification materials or to update your English Learner Assessment Coordinator information.

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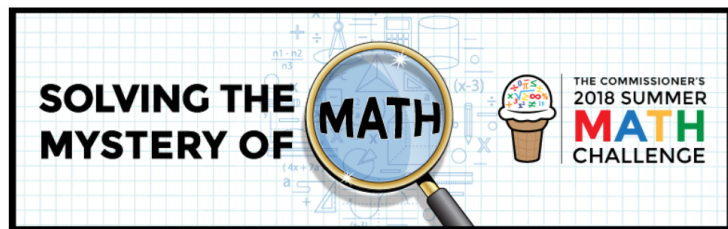
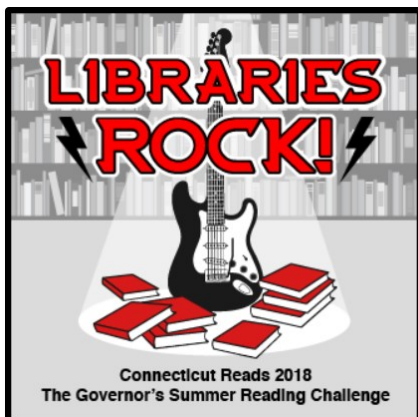
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Summative Assessment Calendar for 2018-19

Assessment	Dates
English Language Proficiency LAS Links	January 2–March 8, 2019
Connecticut SAT School Day	<p>Primary Test Dates: March 27, 2019, or April 9, 2019*</p> <p>Makeup Dates: April 23 and 24, 2019</p> <p>*Schools will complete a survey in September indicating which primary test date they choose.</p>
NGSS Standard Assessment	<p>February 4–June 7, 2019 (Grade 11)</p> <p>March 25–June 7, 2019 (Grades 5 and 8)</p>
Connecticut Alternate Science Assessment - CTAS	<p>March 25–June 7, 2019 (Grades 5, 8, and 11) (Upload Window)</p>
Connecticut Smarter Balanced	March 25–June 7, 2019
Connecticut Alternate Assessment - CTAA	March 25–June 7, 2019



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