

Tests are an important part of education. Assessing students throughout the year helps identify strengths and weaknesses in each student. Teachers and district leaders use this information to measure progress and make decisions about future instruction.

Through assessments, students benefit from targeted instruction based on personal data and district administrators can see how strategies and initiatives are working and make adjustments as needed.

The following is a list of State assessments Trousdale County administers each year.

EOC's:

High School End of Course examinations are given in English I, English II, English III, Algebra I, Algebra II, U.S. History, Biology I and Chemistry. The results of these examinations will be factored into the student's grade at a percentage determined by the State Board of Education in accordance with T.C.A. §49-1-302 (2).

The End of Course exam grade will count 25 percent of the second semester grade. These tests are given at the end of each course.

For more information go to: http://www.tn.gov/education/assessment/high_school.shtml

ACT Test:

The ACT® college readiness assessment is a curriculum- and standards-based educational and career planning tool that assesses students' academic readiness for college.

Students can take the ACT during their Junior year in Trousdale County at no cost to parents. This test is given locally each year in March or April.

This year, there will be an ACT retake for Seniors that took the ACT during their Junior year. This will be given in October.

For more information go to: <http://www.actstudent.org>

TCAP Assessment:

The TCAP Achievement test uses multiple choice questions that provide a measure of knowledge and application skills in various subject areas for grades 3-8. The results of the TCAP Achievement Test provide valuable information regarding student's progress in Tennessee.

The assessments now include rigorous questions that measure students' writing, critical thinking, and problem solving skills.

The TCAP test is given in the Spring of each year (April/May).

For more information go to: http://www.tn.gov/education/assessment/grades_3-8.shtml

2nd Grade Assessment:

The Second Grade Assessment is an optional test that districts can choose to use. The test measures Math and ELA skills. It is a criterion-referenced assessment designed to assess Tennessee State Standards thus providing teachers, leaders, and parents an opportunity to see how students are performing at the end of their second grade year.

This test is given in the Spring of each year (April/May).

For more information go to: <http://www.tn.gov/education/topic/grade-2-assessment>

Social Studies Assessment:

All students will participate in a Social Studies field test during the 2016-17 school year. Field tests are not scored. The field test will be given during a 50-minute setting in April/May for grades 3-8.

For more information go to: <http://www.tn.gov/education/article/tntready-social-studies>