

2017-2018 ASSESSMENT INFORMATION FOR LAWRENCE COUNTY SCHOOLS 9th-12th GRADE

State Mandated Assessments- Purpose, Use, and Date

ACT Test- posted on a separate page on the LCSS website

TCAP End of Course Tests in English I, II, III, Algebra I, II, Geometry, Biology, Chemistry and US History

These assessments help students demonstrate the skills they possess in order to meet college and work expectations. Rigorous questions used will measure students' abilities in writing, critical thinking, and problem solving. The reports generated from scoring will assist teachers in planning instruction and give parents information about academic gains, weaknesses and strengths.

Windows of Administration	
Fall Block	November 28 through December 15, 2017
Spring Block or Traditional (Traditional classes are year long.)	April 18 through May 4, 2018

TCAP ALT* Grades 9-11 (MSAA & Science/Social Studies)

*These assessments are available to students with disabilities for whom participation in the regular state assessment is inappropriate, even with the use of extensive accommodations.

Window of Administration	March 19-May 11, 2018
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TCAP EOC ELA/US History/Geography Field Tests

Field tests will not be included in teacher, school, or district accountability results, and student performance will not be reported. However, field tests are very important for informing future test design, as the department uses feedback from field tests to develop future assessments using authentic data. Not all schools will be chosen by the state department for field tests.

Window of Administration	March 5-30, 2018
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WIDA (For English language learners only)

World-Class Instructional Design and Assessment (WIDA) is used to determine English language proficiency levels. WIDA results will help guide decisions regarding student participation in content area classrooms without program support and state academic content assessments without accommodations. The results also provide school systems with data about the effectiveness of EL programs.

Window of Administration	March 5- April 30, 2018
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District Mandated Assessments- Purpose, Use, and Dates

Universal Screening- Early Warning System

An Early Warning System will be utilized to determine the need for the administration of an AIMS web assessment. The AIMS web assessment will help determine if a student needs additional assistance to reach grade level performance. It uses brief, valid, and reliable measures of reading and math performance in grades K-12. Parents will be contacted if an assessment is needed and the results will be shared.

Date of Administration- As needed by the student on an individual basis at the beginning of the school year and at the end.