

ASSESSMENTS

The West Virginia Department of Education Assessment staff oversees the implementation of a meaningful, comprehensive statewide assessment system as part of an overall education program in all West Virginia Schools. The office staff manages test development, administration, scoring and reporting of assessment results and is responsible for implementing the provisions of West Virginia Board of Education Policy 2340, West Virginia Measures of Academic Progress.

Assessments Required by Policy:

- » West Virginia General Summative Assessment (WVGSA)
 - › WVGSA, Grades 3-8
 - › SAT School Day, Grade 11
- » West Virginia Alternate Summative Assessment (WVASA)
 - › WVASA, Grades 3-8 and 11

Optional Assessments for District/School Instructional Use:

- » Computer Adaptive Comprehensive Interim Assessments (CA-CIA)
- » Fixed Form Comprehensive Interim Assessments (FF-CIA)
- » Interim Module Assessments (IMAs)
- » Diagnostic Assessments (DIAs)
- » Science Interim Assessments (SIAs)

National and International Assessments:

- » National Assessment for Educational Progress (NAEP) - Required
- » International Assessments - Optional
 - › Progress in International Reading Literacy Study (PIRLS)
 - › Program for International Student Assessment (PISA)
 - › Trends in International Mathematics and Science Study (TIMSS)
 - › International Computer Information Literacy Study (ICILS)
 - › International Early Learning Study (IELS)

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PEAKS

Providing Educational Assessment Knowledge and Skills



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West Virginia PEAKS (Providing Educational Assessment Knowledge and Skills) is an initiative of the West Virginia Department of Education Assessment Services. Its purpose is to provide districts and schools a variety of professional learning opportunities and resources to help facilitate a better understanding of the broader component of assessment literacy and other aspects of the state's comprehensive assessment system, including, but not limited to:

- » The purpose of each state assessment
- » How to properly administer assessments
- » How to retrieve and analyze data
- » How to understand assessment reports
- » How to communicate assessment results to parents
- » How to use data to inform instructional decisions

PROFESSIONAL LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES

West Virginia General Summative Assessment (WVGSA) for Grades 3-8

- » **Analyzing Assessment Data**
Learn to analyze assessment data from the WVGSA for Grades 3-8 and identify student strengths and weaknesses.
- » **Understanding 3-8 Reporting**
Gain understanding of the various assessment reports available in Cambium Assessment's reporting system.
- » **Understanding the West Virginia Writing Component of the WVGSA**
Learn about the writing rubrics, scoring, and instructional resources available for writing.
- » **Using Interim Assessments**
Learn to make the most of using the comprehensive interim assessment (both computer adaptive and fixed form), interim assessment modules, and diagnostic assessments to guide instruction and support student learning.



SAT School Day for Grade 11

- » **Using College Board's Electronic Score Reporting System**
Learn to how to access and analyze school-level SAT results to identify student strengths and weaknesses.
- » **Using Khan Academy**
Learn to use the numerous instructional resources and SAT practice test opportunities available in Khan Academy.

Student and Parent Reports

- » **Understanding Student and Parent Reports**
Learn how to assist students and parents in interpreting their assessment results.

Lexile and Quantile Measures Frameworks

- » **Using the Lexile & Quantile Hub**
Learn how to access the numerous resources available in the MetaMetrics Lexile & Quantile Hub, available for free to West Virginia educators, students, and parents.
- » **Using and Understanding Lexiles and Quantiles**
Learn how to use Lexile and Quantile measures to enhance student learn and differentiate instruction.

West Virginia Alternate Summative Assessment (WVASA) for Grades 3-8 and 11

- » **Understanding Data from the WVASA**
Learn to use and understand data from Dynamic Learning Maps (DLM) to guide instruction and support students.
- » **Understanding and Using DLM Resources**
Learn how to access teaching/learning resources and professional development resources for the educator.

National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP)

- » **Understanding and Using the NAEP Data Tool**
Learn how to access NAEP data for use in guiding instructional policies and supporting grant writing.
- » **Understanding and Using the NAEP Questions Tool**
Learn how to access released questions from the NAEP to support classroom instruction and analyze misconceptions.

