SOUTH CAROLINA
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

# 2026-27 Assessment Schedule

**The following schedule outlines the major assessment dates for the 2026-27 school year. If applicable, additional dates will be added and communicated once received.**

## ACT

### *Fall 2026*

| Event | Date(s) |
|---|---|
| Standard Administration (Paper) | September 29, October 13, October 27 |
| Accommodations Administration (Paper) | September 29-30, October 1-2, October 5-9, October 13-16, October 19-23, October 27-30, November 2-6 |
| Standard and Accommodations Administration (Online) | September 29-30, October 1-2, October 5-9, October 13-16, October 19-23, October 27-30, November 2-6 |

### *Spring 2027*

| Event | Date(s) |
|---|---|
| Standard Administration (Paper) | February 23, March 9, March 23 |
| Accommodations Administration (Paper) | February 23-26, March 1-5, March 9-12, March 15-19, March 23-26, March 29-31, April 1-2 |
| Standard and Accommodations Administration (Online) | February 23-26, March 1-5, March 9-12, March 15-19, March 23-26, March 29-31, April 1-2 |

## Advanced Placement (AP) Exams

### *Spring 2027 Test Window*

| Start | End |
|---|---|
| May 3 | May 14 |

## Career Readiness (WIN)

### *Fall 2026*

| Event | Date(s) |
|---|---|
| Fall Test Window | October 26 – November 6 |
| Pretest Webinar—DTC Only | September 9, September 10 |
| STC and TA Webinar (Paper) | September 15 |
| STC and TA Webinar (Online) | September 17, September 22 |
| STC and TA Webinar (Online & Paper) | September 24 |

| Event | Date(s) |
|---|---|
| DTC Posttest Webinar—DTC Only | December 3 |
| District Courseware Trainings (Virtual) | August 5, August 19, September 2, September 16, September 30, October 14 |
| Fall Precode File | August 17 |
| District Data Files Delivered via ShareFile | December 11 |
| Fall Credentials/ISRs Shipped to Schools | January 11, 2027 |

***Spring 2027***

| Event | Date(s) |
|---|---|
| Spring Test Window (11th & 12th grade students) | March 22 – April 16 |
| Pretest Webinar—DTC Only Overview | February 3, February 4 |
| STC and TA Webinar (Paper) | February 9 |
| STC and TA Webinar (Online) | February 11, February 16 |
| STC and TA Webinar (Online & Paper) | February 18 |
| DTC Posttest Webinar—DTC Only | May 6 |
| District Courseware Trainings (Virtual) | January 6, January 20, February 3, February 17, March 3, March 10 |
| Spring Precode File | December 7 |
| Credentials/ISRs Shipped to Schools | June 14 |
| District Data Files Delivered via ShareFile | June 14 |

**EOCEP**

***Fall 2026***

| Event | Date(s) |
|---|---|
| DRC Technology Training Webinar | July 29; 10:00 AM |
| DRC INSIGHT Ordering Window for Print Materials<br>**1.** Districts must update their mailing and shipping address along with DTC/STC contact information. | September 8 – September 25 |
| Precode Files Posted to ADTS for District Review | September 28 |
| District Precode Submission Deadline | October 20 |
| DTC Pretest Workshop Webinar | October 20 |
| STC Pretest Workshop Webinar | November 5, 2026 |
| Fall/Winter 2026-2027 State Testing Window | November 30, 2026 – January 22, 2027 |

*Spring/Summer 2027*

| Event | Date(s) |
|---|---|
| Precode Files Posted to ADTS for District Review | January 22 |
| District Precode Submission Deadline | March 16 |
| Spring 2027 State Testing Window | April 26 – June 8 |
| Summer 2027 State Testing Window | June 28 – July 30 |

**Gifted and Talented Grade 2 (CogAT and Iowa)**

*Fall 2026*

| Event | Date(s) |
|---|---|
| Test Window | October 5 – October 27 |
| Pretest Webinar | September 8, September 10 |
| Data Manager Training Webinars | Week of September 14th |
| Posttest Webinar | November 5 |
| Data Files and Score Reports (Paper) | December 13 |
| Precode Barcoding File | August 21 |
| Precode Online Rostering File | September 11 |

**Gifted and Talented Grades 2-5: Performance Task Assessment (PTA)**

*Spring 2027*

| Event | Date(s) |
|---|---|
| Student Data Due to Vendor | January 7 |
| Materials Shipped to Districts | January 15 |
| New PTC Training | January 26 |
| Online PTC Training (Experienced Only) | January 27 |
| Student Test Booklets Shipped | February 8 |
| Test Window | February 16 – March 5 |
| All Materials Shipped to Vendor | March 16 |
| Districts Receive Score Reports | May 14 |
| Districts Receive Paper Copies of Individual Student Score Reports | May 27 |

**Kindergarten Readiness Assessment (KRA)**

***Fall Test Window***

| Start |
|---|
| The first 45 days of each school district's instructional calendar |

**NAEP**

***Spring 2027 Test Window***

| Start | End |
|---|---|
| January 25 | March 19 |

**Pre-Kindergarten Assessments (MyIGDIs and Teaching Strategies Gold)**

***Fall Test Window***

| Start |
|---|
| The first 45 days of each school district's instructional calendar |

***Spring Test Window***

| Start |
|---|
| The last 45 days of each school district's instructional calendar |

**PreACT**

***2026-27 Test Window***

| Start | End |
|---|---|
| September 1, 2026 | April 23, 2027 |

**PSAT/ NMSQT**

***Fall 2026***

| Start | End |
|---|---|
| October 1 | October 30 |

***Spring 2027- PSAT 10***

| Start | End |
|---|---|
| March 1 | April 30 |

## SAT

### *Fall 2026*

| Start | End |
|---|---|
| October 1 | October 30 |

### *Spring 2027*

| Start | End |
|---|---|
| March 1 | April 30 |

## SC-ALT

### *Fall 2026*

| Event | Date(s) |
|---|---|
| Precode Files Posted to ADTS for District Review | September 10 |
| District Precode Submission Deadline | September 8 |
| TIDE Go-Live | October 1 |
| DTC-Alt Training (In-Person) | October 7 |
| District Information Technology Coordinator (DITC) Training (Virtual) | October 15 |

### *Spring 2027*

| Start | End |
|---|---|
| Learning Characteristic Inventory (LCI) Go-Live | February 1 – April 16 |
| Test window | March 1– April 16 |

## SC READY

### *Fall 2026*

| Event | Date(s) |
|---|---|
| DRC Technology Training Webinar | July 29; 10:00 AM |

### *Spring 2027*

| Event | Date(s) |
|---|---|
| Precode Files Posted to ADTS for District Review | February 5 |
| District Precode Submission Deadline | February 25 |
| DTC Pretest Webinar | March 3; 10:00 am |

| Event | Date(s) |
|---|---|
| STC Pretest Webinar | March 11; 10:00am<br>March 18; 2:30 pm |
| State Testing Window | Last 20 days of the instructional calendar (full & half days) |

**WIDA ACCESS**

***Fall 2026***

| Start | End |
|---|---|
| Districts Receive Test Administration Manuals | November 13 - 16 |
| Deadline for Districts to Precode Data | November 20 |

***Spring 2027***

| Start | End |
|---|---|
| Districts Receive Test Materials | January 14 – 15 |
| Additional Test Materials Ordering Window in WIDA AMS | January 15 – February 26 |
| Test Window | January 20 – March 5 |
| Deadline for Shipping Completed Test Materials to DRC (Postmark Date) | March 19 |
| Pre-Reporting Data Validations **–** LEAs in WIDA AMS | April 16 – April 27 |
| Districts Receive ACCESS and Alternate ACCESS Reports and Data – Posted in WIDA AMS | May 13 |
| Districts Receive Printed ACCESS and Alternate ACCESS Reports | May 26 – May 27 |
| Post-Reporting Data Validation – LEAs in WIDA AMS | May 18 – May 24 |
| Updated ACCESS and Alternate ACCESS Data **–** Posted in WIDA AMS for SEA and Districts | June 8 |

**Classic Learning Test (CLT)**

***Fall 2026***

| Start | End |
|---|---|
| Paper Test Date | October 28 |
| Online In-School Test Dates | October 28–29, November 14 (Saturday), December 8 |

***Spring 2027***

| Start | End |
|---|---|
| Paper Test Dates | February 18, April 6 |
| Online In-School Test Dates | January 23 (Saturday), February 18, March 11, April 6–7, May 22 (Saturday), June 17 |