

HAMLIN SCHOOL DISTRICT ASSESSMENT GUIDE

2025-2026 School Year

Assessment	Subject Matter Assessed	Grades Administered	Purpose & Use	Source of Requirement	Approximate Testing Time	Dates Administered	Reporting Results
SD Interim Assessments	ELA, Math & Science	6-8	Title requirement designed to prepare teachers and students for summative assessment	District	30 minutes-1 hour per test	open in August until close of summative testing window	Interim results viewed by teachers.
SD ELA and Math Assessments	ELA & Math	3-8	Summative assessment measuring english language arts and math achievement.	State	2-4 hours per test (4 total tests)	testing window: March 30-May 8, 2026	Individual student results are sent home in the spring.
SD Science and Science Alternative	Science	5, 8, 11	Summative assessment measuring science achievement.	State	2 hours	testing window: March 30-May 8, 2026	Individual student results are sent home as soon as reports are made available.
SD ELA and Math Alternate Assessments	ELA & Math	Qualifying student in 3-8 & 11	Alternate, summative assessment measuring ELA and math achievement for identified SPED students.	State	2.5 hours	testing window: March 9-April 24, 2026	Individual student results are sent home the following school year in the fall.
SD ACT	English, Reading, Math, Science, Writing	11	Provide a standardized measure of student achievement for college admissions, scholarship eligibility, and state-level accountability	State	4 hours	Window 1: Feb. 24-27, March 2-6 Window 2: March 10-13, March 16-20 Window 3: March 24-27, March 30-31	Individual student results are sent home as soon as reports are made available.
ACCESS for ELLs	Language Proficiency	All EL students K-12	Assessment to measure English language proficiency for students identified as English Language Learners.	State	3 hours	testing window: January 27-February 27, 2026	Individual student results are sent home in the spring.
National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP)	Math & Reading	4 & 8	NAEP measures student achievement and report change in student performance over time in America. Schools and grade levels are chosen yearly at random.	National	90-120 minutes	N/A unless selected for required field test	National and State results are reported to the public on the Nation's report card.
iReady Diagnostic Assessment	Math, Reading & Writing	K-5	Assessment to measure yearly progress and growth of students and across grade levels.	District	1 hour per test (2 tests)	Fall, Winter & Spring	Individual student results are viewed by teachers and are shared during conferences.
DIBBELS/ACADIENCE	Reading	1-2	Screen/monitor student's reading progress.	District	10-15 minutes	Fall, Winter & Spring	Individual student results are viewed by teachers and are shared during conferences.
Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery (ASVAB)	Verbal, Math & Science/Technical Skills	11	Assessment for career planning and gathering information on specific skill areas. ASVAB is also used used to determine strength and potential success in military training.	District	3 hours	October 10, 2026	Individual student results are given to students during an interpretation session.
PSAT/NMSQT	Reading, Writing & Language, and Math	11	Standardized test that provides practice for the SAT and is the National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test.	District (optional)	4 hours	testing window: October 1-31, 2026	Individual student results are given to students during an interpretation session.

**National Career Readiness
Certificate (NCRC)**

Applied Math,
Graphic Literacy &
Workplace
Documents

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A skills test that matches abilities in work-related situations.
Students have the opportunity to share their certificate with
future employers and provide evidence of job skills.

District (optional)

3 hours

November 2025

Individual certificates are given to
students during an interpretation session.