



Office of Assessment, Accountability & Research

The information below is a brief description of selected state and local tests that are administered to DPS students in particular grades and courses during the school year.

Assessments

- **STAR Assessments** include skills-based test items, and new in-depth reports for screening, instructional planning, progress monitoring, standards benchmarking which may assist with improving instructional practices.
- **Get It, Got It, Go! (GGG)** is a quick, efficient and repeatable tool that is useful in measuring children's risk and progress in critical language and early literacy indicators. These individual growth and development indicators (IGDIs) are: picture naming, rhyming and alliteration.
- **Phonological Awareness Literacy Screening (PALS)** which is a state-mandated test measuring children knowledge of important literacy fundamentals toward the end of the school year. These tests provide norm-referenced measures of students' word knowledge and ability to read and understand different types of prose.
- **Ohio Achievement Assessments (OAA)** for grades 3-8 measure students on what they know and are able to do in various subjects. [Learn more here.](#)
- **Ohio Graduation Test (OGT).** Students must pass all five parts of the Ohio Graduation Tests (OGT) in order to receive high school diplomas. The OGT are aligned to Ohio's academic content standards, which were adopted by the State Board of Education in English language arts, mathematics, science and social studies. These standards have been carefully designed to ensure that students are armed with the knowledge they need to be successful in higher educational pursuits as well as the jobs and careers of the future. [Learn more here.](#)
- **Alternate Assessment for Students with Significant Cognitive Disabilities (AASCD).** The AASCD is aligned to Ohio's Academic Content Standards–Extended (OACS-E) and designed to allow students to demonstrate their knowledge and skills in an appropriately rigorous assessment. The AASCD is administered by grade band (3-5, 6-8, OGT). All students will be assessed in English language arts and mathematics. Students in grades 5

and 8 will also be assessed in science. Students taking the OGT-AASCD will also be assessed in science and social studies. [Learn more here.](#)

- **Third-Grade Reading Guarantee** is a program to identify students behind in reading from kindergarten through third grade. Schools will provide help and support to make sure students are on track for reading success by the end of third grade. [Learn more here.](#)

Other Testing Links

[ACT](#)

[Advanced Placement](#)

[Ohio's new report card](#)

[OTELA \(Ohio Test of English Language Acquisition\)](#)

[Partnership for Assessment of Readiness for College and Careers \(PARCC\)](#)

[SAT](#)

[Terra Nova](#)