Big Sandy School Assessment Calendar 2026-2027						
Assessment:	**Assessment Window:**	**Total Time required:**	**Delivery Method:**	**Purpose/Use of Assessment:**	**Grade Levels:**	**Required by:**
Access for ELLs	Jan. 11th - Feb. 12th	Listening - 40 min.; Reading - 35 min.; Speaking - 30 min.; Writing - 65 min.	Digital	Identify current level of English language proficiency	K-12th Multilingual Learners	Federally and State required
ASVAB	Sept. 30th - 8 a.m.	2 hours	Digital	Career exploration and military entrance scores	Open to 10th - 12th	Optional - no cost
CMAS/CoAlt Math, English Language Arts (ELA), Science & Social Studies	April 5th - April 23rd for all assessments	ELA - up to 4h30m: 3 units; Math - up to 3h15m: 3 units; Science - up to 3h15m; Social Studies - up to 65 min	Digital	To meet SB-191 requirements; District Unified Improvement Plan/ District Accreditation	3rd - 8th - ELA & Math; 5th, 8th, and 11th - Science; 7th - Social Studies	Federally and State required
COGAT	November	1 hour	Digital	Identification of gifted students	2nd & 6th	District choice
Colorado PSAT9 & 10	April 12th - April 23rd. Goal date: April 14th	2h14m actual testing time	Digital	To meet SB-191 requirements; District Unified Improvement Plan/ District Accreditation	9th and 10th	Federally and State required
Colorado SAT	April 12th - April 23rd. Goal date: April 14th	2h14m actual testimg time	Digital	College entrance exam	11th	State required
Amplify	3x per year: Aug./Sept.; Dec./Jan.; April/May and as needed for progress monitoring	15 minutes per student	Teacher directed	Student reading growth over time; READ Act requirement; District Unified Improvement Plan and District Accreditation	Kindergarten-5th	District selected assessment to meet State Requirements
NWEA Measures of Academic Progress (MAPs)	Fall/Winter/Spring	1h each test in Reading, Language Usage, Math, and Science	Digital	Identifies individual student achievement status and measures progress in reaching student/ teacher created achievement goals	1st-10th (Reading, Language Usage, & Math); 3rd - 8th (Science); All IEP students	District choice
PSAT/NMSQT	Oct. 1st - 30th. Goal date: Oct. 14th	2h14 actual testing time	Digital	Preparation for SAT; Qualifier for National Merit Scholarship	10th/11th	Optional - student choice
Teaching Strategies Gold	Ongoing throughout school year	No student time	Teacher observation throughout year	Monitor student progress; Documentation for school readiness	Pre-K and Kindergarten	State required
WorkKeys (ACT)	Oct. 29th	3 hours	Paper/pencil	To meet graduation requirements in English/Math	12th	State Grad. requirements