

# 2014–15 California Assessment System

	Content	Test	Type	Participants	Grade Level(s)	Window
CAASPP	ELA Mathematics	Smarter Balanced Format: CAT or Paper/ Pencil <sup>(1)</sup>	MC SR CR PT	All students at designated grade levels <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Eligible students participating in alternate assessments</li> <li>ELA only – English learners who are in their first 12 months of attending a school in the United States</li> </ul>	3–8 and 11 <sup>(2)</sup>	Grades 3–8: 12-week window beginning at 66% of instructional days  Grade 11: 7-week window beginning at 80% of instructional days
		Alternate Assessment	Field Test	Students with significant cognitive disabilities who are unable to take the Smarter Balanced assessments even with accessibility supports and whose individualized education program indicates assessment with an alternate test  Students who previously took		
		CMA	MC	Students whose individualized education program indicates assessment with CMA		instructional days before and after completion of 85% of instructional days
		CAPA	PA	Students with significant cognitive disabilities who are unable to take the CSTs even with accessibility supports and whose individualized education program indicates assessment with CAPA		
	Reading/Language Arts	STS	MC	Spanish-speaking English learners who either receive instruction in their primary language or have been enrolled in a school in the United States less than 12 months	2–11 Optional	
CAHSEE	ELA Mathematics	CAHSEE	MC Writing Task	Beginning with grade 10, all students, except eligible students with disabilities, are required to pass the CAHSEE to receive a high school diploma	10–12 Adult Students <sup>(3)</sup>	See testing dates located on the <a href="#">CDE CAHSEE 2014–15 Testing Dates and Guidelines</a>

**Legend:**

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NAEP – National Assessment of Educational Progress

SR –Selected response

CAHSEE – California High School Exit Examination

CELDT – California English Language Development Test

ELA – English-language arts

PA – Performance assessment

STS –Standards-based tests in Spanish

CAPA – California Alternate Performance Assessment

CHSPE – California High School Proficiency Examination

HSET – High School Equivalency Tests

PFT – Physical Fitness Test

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	Reading					
	Writing					

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