

TCAP Grade 2 Optional Assessment

Overview:

The Grade 2 optional assessment measures student mastery of the Tennessee Academic Standards in English Language Arts and mathematics.

The English language arts (ELA) assessment uses an integrated format to measure student progress through literary and informational texts requiring students to demonstrate the ability to read closely, analyze text, answer text-dependent questions, provide a written response to a prompt, and demonstrate command of the English language. Additionally, it measures fluency, comprehension, and listening skills.

The mathematics assessment will focus approximately 70 percent of the assessment items on major work of the grade and approximately 30 percent of the items on supporting and additional work. Student mastery of math fluency, ability to problem solve, and understanding of the grade-level standards will be assessed. Further, students will be assessed on their ability to connect topics across the grade-level domains.

Required:

No

Federal and State Law:

Not applicable; participation is voluntary

Purpose & Use:

This test is given to help measure how much a second grade student grows academically over the course of a school year.

Administration Window:

March 19–May 4

Results to Districts:

Raw data is provided to districts by the very end of school year. This information may be used to help calculate final grades for report cards.

Results to Parents & Students:

Grade 2 assessment results from the 2016-17 school year will be released to parents and students in fall 2017.

Grade 2 assessment results from the 2017-18 school year will be released to parents and students in summer 2018.