

ALASKA STATEWIDE ASSESSMENTS
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	Purpose	Assessment Dates	Grade Level	Content Area	Statute and Regulation	Number of Students Assessed Per Year	Costs FY12
Developmental Profile	Measure students school preparedness.	First four weeks of the school year	When first enrolled in kindergarten or 1 st grade.	School Readiness	AS 14.07.020 4 AAC 06.712	FY12 = 9881	Current assessment staff provide effort to design, data collection and reporting.
High School Graduation Qualifying Examination (HSGQE)	Measure student achievement of essential skills; required to graduate.	3 consecutive days: The fall Retest administration normally takes place the first Tues, Wed, Thurs of October; the spring Grade 10 HSGQE and Retest the first Tues, Wed, and Thurs of April	Spring 10 th Grade year, and after until passage.	Reading Writing Mathematics	AS 14.03.075 AS 14.07.020 4 AAC 06.710 4 AAC 06.755	Fall '11 & Spring '11 Re-take Reading = 3816 Writing = 6008 Math = 1710 <i>*10th grade count of 10,210 included in SBA</i>	\$ 2,527,646
Alternative Assessment: Modified and Nonstandardized HSGQE	Measure student achievement of essential skills with modifications or portfolio format to meet the needs of students in special education	Same as HSGQE	Grades 11-12, repeating 10 th graders and grade 10 with a waiver	Reading Writing Mathematics	IDEA 1997 AS 14.03.075 AS 14.07.020 4 AAC 06.710 4 AAC 06.775	<i>This is not a separate assessment, these are students who due to their disability take the HSGQE in a modified format.</i>	Current assessment staff provide effort to design forms, data collection, approvals and reporting.
Norm-referenced Assessment	Measure student achievement relative to the group of students who took the test when the test was normed.	February - 20 day window	5 th and 7 th	Reading Language Arts Mathematics	AS 14.07.020 AS 14.03.120 4 AAC 06.730	19,850 Eligible in FY12	\$ 253,636
Standards Based Assessments	Measure student achievement relative to the state adopted standards; determine school and district performance for accountability.	First Monday through the third Monday of April	3 rd through 10 th Science 4 th , 8 th and 10 th	Reading Writing Mathematics Science	Title I ESEA Sec. 101 AS 14.07.020 AS 14.03.123 AS 14.03.120 4 AAC 06.737	76,624 X 3 (reading, writing, math) 28,423 X 1 (science)	\$ 5,290,643

Alternate Assessment	Measure student achievement of students with significant cognitive disabilities (approximately 1% of student population) relative to alternate achievement standards.	7 week test window: beginning March 1	Students with significant cognitive disabilities, 3 rd -10 th .	Reading Writing Mathematics	IDEA 1997 Title I ESEA AS 14.03.075 AS 14.07.020 4 AAC 06.710 4 AAC 06.775	665 X 3 (reading, writing, math) 239 X 1 (science)	\$ 505,221
English Language Proficiency Assessment	Measure English language proficiency of students who are limited English proficient.	February 1 – March 31 annually	Identified Students with Limited English Proficiency, K-12.	English Language Acquisition (listening, speaking, reading, writing)	Title I ESEA Title III ESEA 4 AAC 34.055	14,768 Students in FY11	\$ 488,000
National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP)	Measure state achievement relative to NAEP standards, and compare state to state and state to national performance.	Every other year (odd numbered years), six-week window beginning at the end of January	Selected students, grade 4 th and 8 th Bi-annually	Reading Mathematics	Title I ESEA Pending AS 14.03.123	In 2011 5500 4 th grade and 4800 8 th grade students took the matrix-sampled NAEP	Costs are directly covered by Federal Government
WorkKeys	Job skills' assessment measuring students' career preparedness.	Electronic August 1 – December 30 annually or Paper/Pencil two-week testing period in November annually	Grade 11 required – optional to grade 12	Reading for Information Applied Mathematics Locating for Information	4 AAC 06.717	10,725 Eligible in FY11	FY12=227,000 <i>FY12 & 13 KeyTrain Curriculum = \$120,000</i>

Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA) as amended by No child Left Behind (NCLB) 2001

Individuals with Disabilities Act (IDEA) 1997