The United States Department of Education, State of Wisconsin, and the New Holstein School District require a variety of assessments for a variety of purposes. Below is a list of the assessments, their subject matter, purpose, mandate, and if possible, time spent to schedule and take the assessment, and distribute results. Please direct any questions you have on these or other assessments to our District Assessment Coordinator.

Assessment	Subject matter and grade levels assessed	Purpose and use of the assessment	Time students will spend taking the assessment	Schedule for the assessment	Schedule and format for sharing results
Wisconsin Forward Exam	 Grades 3-8 in English language arts (ELA) and mathematics Grades 4 and 8 in science, Grades 4, 8, and 10 in social studies 	The Forward Exam gauges how well students are doing in relation to the Wisconsin Academic Standards and how well districts and the state are supporting students to meet those standards.	The Forward Exam is untimed. https://dpi.wi.gov/assessment/forward/resources#timing	The Forward Exam is administered annually in the spring. Each of our buildings communicate the specific schedule to parents and students. https://dpi.wi.gov/assessment/forward/calendar	Students receive individual reports, and they are distributed typically in early fall. https://dpi.wi.gov/assessment/forward/data#availability
Dynamic Learning Maps (DLM)	 Grades 3-11 in ELA and mathematics Grades 4, 8-11 in science Grades 4, 8, and 10 in social studies 	DLM assesses the academic progress of students with significant cognitive disabilities. It is administered online.	DLM test is untimed.	DLM is administered annually in the spring. https://dpi.wi.gov/assessment/dlm/calendar	Students receive individual reports and learning profiles. https://dpi.wi.gov/assessment/dlm/data
PreACT Secure	Grades 9 and 10 for reading, English, mathematics, and science	PreACT Secure can be used to predict future ACT scores and possible areas of strength and challenges.	PreACT Secure assessments take 2 hours, 50 minutes to complete, including breaks. https://dpi.wi.gov/assessment/PreACT/Resources#test-times	PreACT Secure is administered annually in the spring. The high school principal communicates the specific schedule to parents and students. https://dpi.wi.gov/assessment/PreACT/calendar	Students receive individual reports in late spring or early fall. https://dpi.wi.gov/assessment/PreACT/data
ACT with writing	Grade 11 for reading, English, mathematics, science, and writing	ACT with writing helps students understand what they need to learn next to build rigorous high school course plans and identify career areas that align with their interests. It can be used for college enrollment, scholarships, and National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) eligibility requirements.	ACT with writing takes 3 hours, 55 minutes to complete, including breaks. https://dpi.wi.gov/assessment/act/resources#ACT%20resources	ACT with writing is administered annually in the spring. https://dpi.wi.gov/assessment/act/calendar	Student Score Reports are available online and mailed 5-8 weeks after the assessment. https://dpi.wi.gov/assessment/act/data
ACCESS	Grades K-12, English language proficiency for students identified as English Learners (ELs)	ACCESS allows educators, ELs, and families to monitor EL's progress in acquiring academic English in the domains of speaking, listening, reading, and writing.	The ACCESS test is untimed, and students have the time needed to produce scorable content. ACCESS typically takes 1-4.5 hours to complete, depending on grade and test format.	ACCESS is administered annually in the winter. https://dpi.wi.gov/assessment/ell/calendar	PDF student score reports are available in multiple languages, with paper copies provided in English during the spring. Districts distribute parent school reports either in late spring or early in the next school year. https://dpi.wi.gov/assessment/ell/data#timing
Early Literacy Assessment	Grades 4K-3 for reading readiness	Early literacy screening allows educators to monitor the development of skills required to become proficient readers. Screening assessments depend on the grade level, but include letter naming, letter sound, phonemes, vocabulary, and other assessments. The screening results are used to further inform diagnostic assessments needs and development of reading plans for students in need of support.	The screener time varies by grade and by student, typically 5-15 minutes per student.	Assessed in fall, winter and spring (4K in fall and spring only)	PDF student report is shared with parents within 15 days of the screener.
National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP)	Grades 4 and 8 for reading and mathematics (only if the school is selected to participate)	NAEP assessment results help produce the Nation's Report Card. NAEP is a survey given each year to a <i>sample of schools</i> selected to participate. Districts that receive Title-I funds agree to have schools participate.	Students typically spend 1.5-2 hours to complete the NAEP, depending on grade and test format.	Each sample school has one test date, between the last week of January and the first week of March.	Results are reported at the state and national levels. https://nces.ed.gov/nationsreportcard/
iReady Diagnostic	Math grades K-8 Reading grades 3-8	Locally used assessment for teachers to identify specific standards and skill areas in need of support through classroom response and intervention that may include whole class, one-on-one or small group instruction.	Students typically spend 45-60 minutes per subject.	Assessments are giving in the fall, winter, and spring. Each of our buildings communicate the specific schedule to parents and students.	Parents receive pdf student reports from the student's teacher following the assessment window completion.