



COLORADO
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2025-2025 District Technology Coordinator Kickoff

CDE Assessment Division

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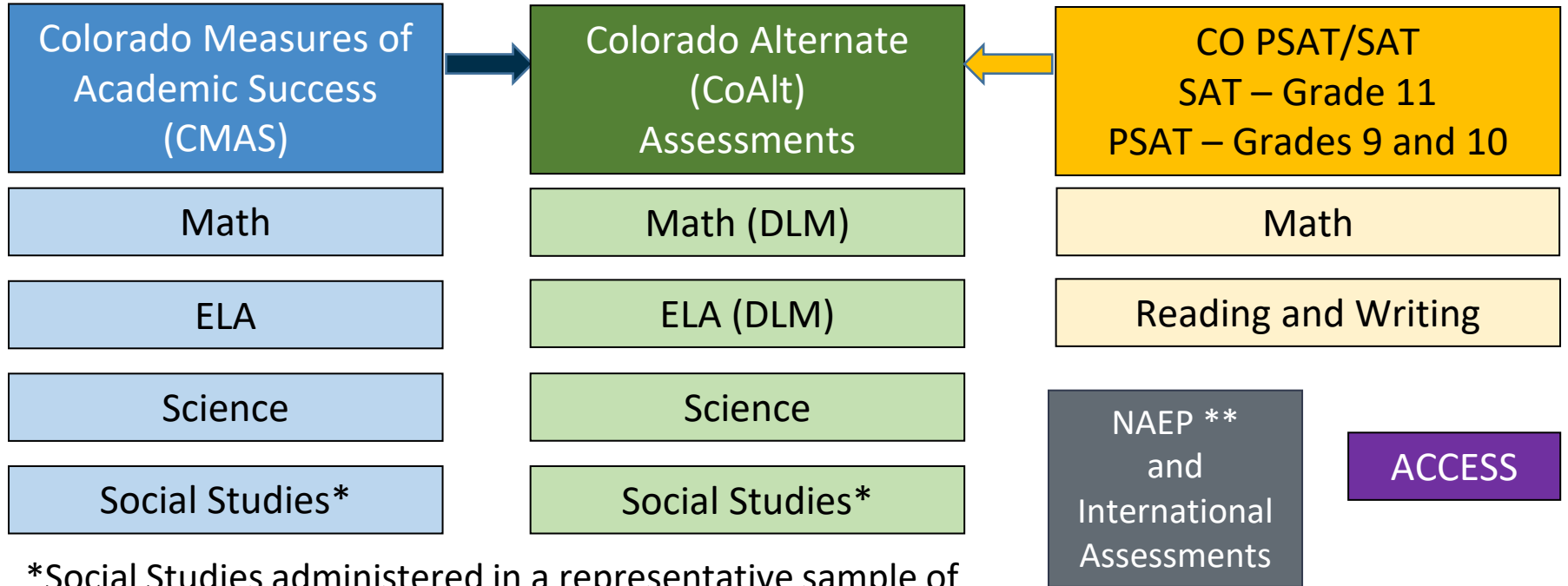
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2025-26 Colorado Assessments



*Social Studies administered in a representative sample of schools as required by state statute

**Reading and math administered in grades 4 and 8 in selected schools

HB 25-1278 - No Paper-based CMAS Testing

What You Need to Know:

Starting in **spring 2026**, schools **will no longer be able to select paper-based CMAS testing** at the school or district level. The **paper-pencil format** will only be allowed as an **accommodation** for students with a documented need in their **IEP or 504 plan**.

Know Someone Who Needs Support?








The **CDE Assessment Division** offers:

- Technology support
- [Site visits](#)
- Consultation on administration best practices





For questions, contact:

Technology (CMAS): [Collin Bonner](#)

Online Assessment Platforms

Assessment	Test Engine	Student Info System	Features
WIDA ACCESS		WIDA AMS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Caching server available • Clients for Chromebooks, Windows, iPads, Mac, and Linux
CMAS			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Caching server available • Installable apps for Chromebooks, Windows, iPads, Mac, and Linux
CoAlt Science/ Social Studies	N/A		
CoAlt ELA and Math (Dynamic Learning Maps)	Student Portal 	Educator Portal 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Student Portal installable apps for Chromebooks, Windows, Mac, and iPads
PSAT and SAT	Student Portal: Bluebook App 	Test Day Toolkit (TDTK)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bluebook installable apps for Windows, Mac, iPad or school-managed Chromebooks • TDTK is accessed through an established College Board account

ChromeOS Updates for Colorado State Assessments

Assessment	Test Engine	Chrome Updates
WIDA ACCESS		<ul style="list-style-type: none">New Chromebook Progressive Web ApplicationTech Bulletin: ChromeOS PWA Installation
CMAS		<ul style="list-style-type: none">New Chromebook Progressive Web ApplicationSet Up TestNav on ChromeOSTestNav – Legacy Chrome app incompatible with Chrome 139 and higher
CoAlt ELA and Math (Dynamic Learning Maps)	Student Portal 	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Legacy App: Requires additional Google Admin configuration to Run on Chrome OS.DLM Kite® Student Portal Installation Guide: Chromebook
PSAT and SAT	Bluebook App 	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Bluebook App is a Progressive Web Application

Chrome OS Requirements

Devices/OS	CMAS TN Supported Versions	ACCESS Insight Supported Versions	PSAT/SAT Bluebook Supported Versions	CoAlt DLM KITE
Tablets, Chromebooks, Chromeboxes				
Chrome OS	Stable Channel (S) Long-term support (LTS)*	Stable Channel (S)	Stable Channel (S)	Stable Channel (S)
	136 S+ 132+ LTS	130 S+ (131 not supported)	132+	108+
	New Progressive Web App	New Progressive Web App	New Progressive Web App	Legacy Chrome App
	No tablet mode for Convertible Chromebooks		Chromebooks must be school-managed, run in kiosk mode. Chrome OS Flex not supported	Administrators must re-enable the Chrome app in kiosk mode to continue using Kite Student Portal.

Windows OS Requirements

Devices/ OS	CMAS TN Supported Versions	ACCESS Insight Supported Versions	PSAT/SAT Bluebook Supported Versions	CoAlt DLM KITE
Windows	Windows 10 22H2	Windows 10 in S mode, 22H2	Windows 10 not supported after October 2025	
	Windows 11 23H2	Windows 11 in S mode, 22H2, 23H2, 24H2 *Windows 11 in SE mode best effort support	Windows 11	Windows 11
	Windows 11 24H2	Windows Server 2016, 2019, and 2022	Windows 11S and 11SE are not supported .	

iPadOS, Linux, and macOS Requirements

	CMAS TN Supported Versions	ACCESS Insight Supported Versions	PSAT/SAT Bluebook Supported Versions	CoAlt DLM KITE
iPadOS	17.3 – 18.x	16.x – Best Effort 17.X – 18x	16.x – 18.7 17.0.0– 17.0.3 Not supported	15.8.2 – 26
Mac OS		12.73.3 -Best Effort 13.X to 15x -Full Support	12 – 15.7 Embedded text-to-speech tool requires macOS 13 or higher	12.7.4 – 26
Linux	Fedora 41 x64, 42 x64		Not Supported	Not Supported
	Ubuntu 24.04 LTS x64	Ubuntu LTS, 20.04 , 22.04 and 24.04 version with Gnome Shell		

Assessment Technology Minimum Hardware Specifications 1 of 3

Minimum Hardware Specifications	CMAS TN Supported Versions	ACCESS Insight Supported Versions	PSAT/SAT Bluebook Supported Versions
Processor	x64 - AMD, ARM, ARM64, or Intel-based™	Minimum: CPU benchmark rating of 1000*	1 GHz processor
		Recommended: CPU benchmark rating of 3000* or higher	
Memory	Recommended - 4 GB RAM Minimum - 2 GB RAM	Minimum – 2 GB RAM Recommended – 4 GB RAM or higher	1 GB RAM on Chromebook 2 GB RAM on other devices
	Linux and iOS - 2 GB RAM; Minimum - 1 GB RAM		

Assessment Technology Minimum Hardware Specifications 2 of 3

Minimum Hardware Specifications	CMAS TN Supported Versions	ACCESS Insight Supported Versions	PSAT/SAT Bluebook Supported Versions
Free Disk Space	Local File access to home directory macOS and Windows	1 GB	250 MB free hard drive space on iPads.
			1 GB free hard drive space for all other devices device.
Screen Size	9.5-in	9.5-in	10 inches on Desktops and Laptops, 8 inches on iPad.
Resolution	1024 x 768	1024 x 768	1024 x 768

Assessment Technology Minimum Hardware Specifications 3 of 3

Minimum Hardware Specifications	CMAS TN Supported Versions	ACCESS Insight Supported Versions	PSAT/SAT Bluebook Supported Versions
External Mice, Keyboards, and touchscreens	Windows (required), iOS (recommended)	Headset with Microphone	External keyboards are required on iPads.
	External keyboard and mouse (or touchpad) for touchscreen devices	Windows and ChromeOS: Both touchscreen and non-touchscreen devices	
	Tablet mode not supported	macOS and Linux: Non-touchscreen devices only	
	Wired keyboards (recommended)	iPadOS: iPads that support iPadOS 16.x or above	

DTC Responsibilities and Privileges

CDE Assessment Technology Support

- Primary technology contact for the district who works with CDE Assessment Division regarding online administration of state assessments
 - Receive critical, in-depth testing vendor communications directly from CDE during administrations
 - Communicate pertinent technology information to district stakeholders concerning the online administration of state assessments

CMAS Support

- DTC support for CMAS math, ELA, science and social studies
 - DTCs are escalated to Pearson's Level 2 Technical Support when contacting the help desk with questions regarding the online assessment system
 - Note: Only the one officially identified DTC for each district is escalated
- Request support directly from Collin Bonner in the CDE Assessment Division

District Technology Coordinator (DTC) Contact Information

- It is important to identify a DTC for the district – make sure this position is updated if there is a change
 - Superintendent-appointed
- DTC receives emails from CDE with information about training and technology updates throughout the year
- DTC email to identify the correct contact information and secondary contact for CMAS
 - <http://www.cde.state.co.us/assessment/DTC>

DTC Listserv



DTC Listserv Details

- Option to unsubscribe from this listserv reply to dtc-unsubscribe-request@cdelist.cde.state.co.us
- Delivery errors automatically deleted from the list when:
 - errors have been reported for a period of 4 days or more or,
 - more than 100 delivery errors have been received
- I will only reach out when active DTCs receive errors.
- Contact me to request additional district subscriptions.
- Archived messages can be viewed on the [State Assessment Technology Readiness for School Districts](#) website.

2025-2026 State Assessment Schedule

Tentative 2025-26 State Assessment Calendar

Assessment	Grade(s)	Tentative Window
ACCESS for ELLs®	K through 12	January 12 through February 13, 2026
CMAS and CoAlt: Science CMAS and CoAlt: Social Studies ¹ CMAS: Math and ELA (CSLA ²)	5, 8, 11 ¹ 4 and 7 3 through 8 ¹	April 6 through 24, 2026
CoAlt: DLM ELA and Math	3 through 8	Aligned to CMAS: Math and ELA schedule
CO PSAT	9 and 10	April 13 through April 24, 2026
CO SAT	11	Dates may be selected based on district/school preference within this window
CoAlt: DLM ELA and Math	9 through 11	Aligned to PSAT and SAT schedules

¹Social studies administered at selected schools only

²CSLA is for eligible multilingual learners in grades 3 and 4 only

WIDA ACCESS[®]

WIDA ACCESS Key Dates

ACCESS Testing Window

- Monday, January 12 through Friday, February 13, 2026

WIDA AMS Test Setup Available

- December 2, 2025, through February 19, 2026

WIDA ACCESS Changes

- New Chromebook Progressive Web Application
- New WIDA ACCESS Test Security and Test Monitoring Training
- WIDA ACCESS Paper Audio in WIDA AMS
- Support Ending for Windows 11- 21H2 and macOS 12

WIDA ACCESS Technology Updates

- INSIGHT Secure Application Version 16
- New Chromebook Progressive Web Application
- Central Office Services (COS) Service Device - Version 9
- Content Management
 - EWD469 - WIDA Screener Assessment - for the 24-26 administration
 - EWD372 - Sample Item
 - EWD461 - ACCESS for ELLs Assessment - for the 25-26 administration

DRC INSIGHT Network Connectivity

New URLs to Allow List for 2025-2026:

- <https://cdn-app-prod.drctedirect.com>
- <https://insight-services-wida.te.drctedirect.com>
- <https://drc-proctor.awcl.drctedirect.com>

A complete list can be found in the System Requirements and Testing Information section of the Technology User Guide located in [WIDA AMS](#) under My Applications / General Information / Documents.

WIDA Access Training

Webinars

DRC and WIDA will be hosting a series of [Technology Webinars for Technology Coordinators in the 2025-2026](#) school year.

- Pre-Testing: Software Updates and Tech Readiness Checklist
- Pre-Testing: Technology Installations - Part 1
- Pre-Testing: Technology Installations - Part 2
- Pre-Testing: Technology Support and Online Preparedness
- WIDA ACCESS Test Security and Test Monitoring -NEW
- During Testing: Technology Troubleshooting

CMAS

Mathematics, English Language

Arts/Literacy, Colorado Spanish Language

Arts (CSLA) & Science

CMAS: 2025 Spring Administration Analytics – Key Takeaways from Pearson

Pearson has released [Administration Analytics](#) from the 2025 CMAS spring testing window. Below are the most important insights:

- **1,262,941 test units** were administered during the week of **April 14** alone.
- **Chrome OS dominated**, powering **over 80% of testing devices**—accounting for **1,866,014 test units**.
- **53% of Colorado testers** used **Proctor Caching**.
- **Over 374,000 testers** experienced a **20–30 second delay** at login due to **misconfigured local cache**, preventing them from connecting at the start of the test.

Want Your District's Data?- to view **proctor caching data** specific to their district from the 2025 CMAS administration should contact [Collin Bonner](#) to request access.

CMAS Administration Key Dates

- **Proctor Cache Content available:** March 24, 2026
- **CMAS Assessment Window:** April 6 through 24, 2026

Pearson Technology Changes

- **Removal of Proctor Cache Configurations in PearsonAccess^{next}**
- **New Progressive Web Application for ChromeOS**
 - Legacy Chrome app incompatible with Chrome 139 and higher

Removal of Proctor Cache Configurations in PAnext

When managing **multiple TestNav Configurations**, keep these two key points in mind:

- **Timing**
- **Organization Hierarchy**

Multiple TestNav Configurations- Timing

Timing

- Configurations made **before** test sessions are created are linked to those sessions automatically by default.
- Configurations made **after** test sessions are created must be **linked manually**.
Tip: Set up TestNav Configurations **before** creating sessions.
- If switching to a **no-caching** setup, it's easiest to **edit the existing configuration** by leaving the **IP Address** and **Port fields blank** instead of creating a new one.

Multiple TestNav Configurations - Organization Hierarchy

Organization Hierarchy

- A **school-level** TestNav Configuration automatically becomes the default for that school's sessions, even if a **district-level** configuration exists.

Tip: For consistency, use **either all school-level** or **all district-level** configurations—not a mix.

- If switching to a **no-caching** setup, it's easiest to **edit the existing configuration** by leaving the **IP Address** and **Port fields blank** instead of creating a new one.

Best Practices for Multiple TestNav Configurations

- If your district is **moving away from Proctor Caching**, delete the **TestNav Configurations** entirely.
- Setting the **IP Address and Port to zero** should only be used in **hybrid situations**, where some schools continue to use Proctor Caching and others do not.

TestNav Components 2025-26

Component	Installation
Proctor Caching	No updates, uninstall and reinstall current version if necessary
TestNav Server side software	No install required apps are automatically updated
Desktop Client App	<p>The new app can be pushed out to Mac OS or Windows OS devices without the need to uninstall the old version</p> <p>Apps on windows stores now support auto updates</p>
iPad Client App	Auto updates are supported
Chromebook Client App	New Progressive Web Application- New install required

The online platform used for CMAS data management and administration

- DAC grants district accounts and permissions throughout the year in PearsonAccess^{next}
- DTC will need access to complete the TestNav Configuration if your have a proctor caching configuration.

TestNav Requirements Policy

OS:	Based on manufacturer support Pearson will support:	Resources:
OS X and macOS	The two past releases as of July 15.	N/A
iOS	The two past releases as of July 15.	iOS Life Cycle Management
ChromeOS	Releases Google supports as of July 15 of the current calendar school year.	Chrome Update Policy
Windows	Releases Microsoft supports as of July 15 of the current calendar school year.	Windows lifecycle fact sheet
Ubuntu	The last two long-term releases.	N/A

Site Readiness Activities 2025-26

CDE recommends:

- Conduct CMAS Test Simulator Form through the PearsonAccess^{next} Training Site
 - Provides a way to test the local online assessment environment to verify the network, proctor caching devices and student testing devices are configured correctly using CMAS items
 - Highly recommended for districts and schools using virtualized device solutions

CoAlt English Language Arts & Mathematics (DLM)

DLM Admin System: KITE Components

Component	Software Version	Recommendations
KITE Local Caching Server		<u>Not Available</u>
KITE Student Portal	11.0.0	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Must uninstall and reinstall on Mac and PC student devices.• Chromebooks will require additional configuration.

Kite® Student Portal Updates

- DLM is requesting that districts use **Google Admin** to **temporarily enable Chrome apps in kiosk sessions** on Chrome devices used for the **DLM assessment**.
- Windows Devices will use the same Student Portal app will be used for the 2026 school year.
 - **Windows 10 will no longer be supported** to ensure student data and test security.
 - Devices running Windows 10 may still launch the app, but support will be limited.
 - Issues specific to Windows 10 will not be addressed or patched.
 - On **Windows 11**, location services must be enabled for the Student Portal to function correctly
- **iPad and Mac** versions of the Student Portal remain unchanged for 2026.

Kite® Student Portal Chrome Device Configuration

DLM is requesting that districts use **Google Admin** to temporarily enable **Chrome apps in kiosk sessions** on Chrome devices used for the **DLM assessment**.

Steps:

- Sign in to the **Google Admin Console**.
- Go to: **Devices > Chrome > Settings > Device settings > Chrome Apps allowed for kiosk mode**.
- Under *Inheritance*, select:
“**Keep using Chrome apps in kiosk sessions for a limited time.**”

Note:

- This policy only impacts **legacy Chrome Apps** like Kite Student Portal.
- **Progressive Web Apps (PWAs)** are not affected and will continue to function normally.

DLM KITE Resources

[DLM Training for District Roles](#)

[Technology Specifications Manual \(pdf\)](#)

[KITE Client whitelist settings](#)

[KITE Client bandwidth requirements](#)

[Troubleshooting Kite Upload Errors](#)

Colorado PSAT & SAT



Digitally-based Colorado PSAT and SAT

Assessment	Grade	Administration Dates*
PSAT 9	9	April 13 through 24, 2026 Dates may be selected based on district/school preference within this window
PSAT 10	10	
SAT	11	

*To the extent practicable, students taking the CoAlt DLM ELA/Math assessments who participate in a general education class should be assessed at the same time as their general education peers to avoid missed instruction

PSAT 9, PSAT 10, SAT Test Times

Minimum battery life is 3 hours for SAT Suite of Assessments.

Test		Digital	
Section	Test Times	Test Times + Breaks (10 min)	
PSAT 9	134 minutes	144 minutes	
PSAT 10	134 minutes	144 minutes	
SAT	134 minutes	144 minutes	

Testing Staff Roles and Responsibilities Overview

Test Coordinator

- Oversees planning and test day activities for ALL students, including those with accommodations
- Works with technology staff to ensure devices being used for testing meet technical requirements and Bluebook is installed.
- Manages all staff involved in test preparation and on test day (proctors, monitors, etc.)

Technology Coordinator

- Works with Test Coordinator and SSD Coordinator to meet student needs for test day.
- Ensures devices used for testing meet technical specifications.
- Install Bluebook on student devices for testing.
- Completes Digital Readiness Check.

PSAT and SAT Technology Updates

- September 26, 2025: Required Update Released

Device Type	Latest Bluebook Version
Windows	VSN-0.9.506 BT-2025-09-25 18:48
Chromebooks	BT-2025-08-15 15:04
Macs	VSN-1.14.1 BT-2025-08-15 15:04
iPads	VSN-1.14.1 BT-2025-08-15 15:04

Bluebook Resources

Bluebook Technology for Professionals

- [Network Readiness](#)
- [Digital SAT Device Requirements](#)
- [Device Readiness](#)
- [Chromebook Installation](#)
- [Windows Installation](#)
- [iPad Installation](#)
- [Mac Installation](#)
- [Bluebook Updates](#)
- [Accommodations and Assistive Technology](#)

Bluebook Technology Training

- [Tuesday, Dec. 9 – 3PM MT](#)
- [Tuesday, Dec. 16 – 9AM MT](#)
 - Changes from Last Year
 - Network/Device Requirements
 - Bluebook/TDTK requirements
 - Configurations for Assistive Tech
 - Best Practices
 - Where to get help

Thank You

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Questions?