

# 2014–15 California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress (CAASPP)

Content	Test	Type	Participants	Grade Level(s)	Window
English–Language Arts (ELA) and Mathematics	<b>Smarter Balanced</b>  Format: CAT or Paper-Pencil <sup>(1)</sup>	MC SR CR PT	All students at designated grade levels <i>Exceptions:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Eligible students participating in alternate assessments (TBD)</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>  Required	Grades 3–8: 12-week window beginning at 66% of instructional days  Grade 11: 7-week window beginning at 80% of instructional days
	<b>Alternate Assessment (TBD)</b>	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 the CAPA will not take the CAPA for ELA and mathematics in 2014–15	3–8 and 11  Required	TBD
Science	<b>CST</b>	MC	All students unless their individualized education program indicates assessment with CMA or CAPA	5, 8, and 10  Required	25-day window that includes 12 instructional days before and after completion of 85% of instructional days
	<b>CMA</b>	MC	Students whose individualized education program indicates assessment with CMA		
	<b>CAPA</b>	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	<b>STS</b>	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	

<sup>(1)</sup>Paper-pencil versions of the Smarter Balanced assessments are available to local educational agencies that meet specific criteria.

<sup>(2)</sup>The grade 11 Smarter Balanced assessments will be used for Early Assessment Program (EAP) purposes.

## Legend:

### Test

**CAPA** – California Alternate Performance Assessment  
**CAT** – Computer adaptive test  
**CMA** – California Modified Assessment  
**CST** – California Standards Test  
**STS** – Standards-based Tests in Spanish  
**TBD** – To be determined

### Type

**CR** – Constructed response  
**MC** – Multiple choice  
**PA** – Performance assessment  
**PT** – Performance task  
**SR** – Selected response