

## 2019 SBA Testing Schedule

Each spring, all Washington public school students in grades 3-8 are assessed in English Language Arts (ELA) and math using the **Smarter Balanced Assessment (SBA)**. Elementary students in grades 5 (also grades 8 and 11) are also assessed in science using the Washington Comprehensive Assessment of Science (WCAS). Assessment results provide meaningful feedback and data that educators use to help students succeed.

Testing is done online and is not timed. Students will be given appropriate time to answer all questions. On testing days, students will have a longer afternoon recess.

Plan to have your child at school on time on these testing days. Please make an effort to reschedule or avoid scheduling any appointments on these days, as it's important for your child to be here on their testing days.

This year's SBA schedule for Dickinson Elementary and Explorer students in grades 3-5 is as follows:

	<b>3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Dickinson 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Explorer</b>	<b>4<sup>th</sup> Grade Dickinson</b>	<b>5<sup>th</sup> Grade Dickinson 4<sup>th</sup>/5<sup>th</sup> Grade Explorer</b>
<b>ELA-CAT</b>	May 15	May 8	April 25
<b>ELA-PT</b>	May 16	May 9	May 1
<b>ELA-PT</b>	May 17	May 10	May 2
<b>Math-CAT</b>	May 28	May 21	May 23
<b>Math-PT</b>	May 29	May 22	May 24
<b>WCAS</b>			May 30

**ELA** = English Language Arts

**CAT** = Computer Adaptive Test

**PT** = Performance Task

**WCAS** = Washington Comprehensive Assessment of Science

See LWSD's page on SBA: <https://www.lwsd.org/programs-and-services/curriculum-instruction/testing-and-grades/state-assessments/smarter-balanced-assessment>

More about WCAS: <http://www.k12.wa.us/Science/Assessments.aspx>