



KANSAS MATHEMATICS ASSESSMENT FACT SHEET 2011-12



General Information

- Grades assessed: 3-8 and OTL at high school
Link to OTL:
<http://www.ksde.org/Default.aspx?tabid=420>
- Annually tested
- Results used for AYP and QPA calculations

Standards and Supporting Materials

- Link to KSDE Mathematics web page:
<http://www.ksde.org/Default.aspx?tabid=1719>
- Link to flip charts and item specifications:
<http://www.ksde.org/Default.aspx?tabid=156>

Assessment Format

- Three test sessions, two allowing a calculator and one not allowing a calculator (all grade levels except 8th gr.)
- Three untimed sessions approximately 45-60 minutes each
- Number of questions and indicators assessed:

Grade	3	4	5	6	7	8	HS
# Indicators	12	14	15	14	15	15	15
# Questions	70	73	73	86	84	86	84

- Four to eight items per indicator
- All multiple choice questions
- Universal design guidelines followed
- Link to list of accommodations allowed:
<http://www.ksde.org/Default.aspx?tabid=2372>

Testing Modes

- KCA is the mode for all assessments
- Paper and pencil is available only as an accommodation
- A Spanish version of the general assessment is available on the KCA

Kansas Alternate Assessment (KAA) and Kansas Assessment with Modified Measures (KAMM)

- Administered annually to students identified as eligible by their IEP Team
- The sum of KAMM and KAA students classified as "Meets Standard" or above at the district level must not exceed 3%, with KAA accounting for no more than 1% of district students.
- Link to KAMM web page:
<http://www.ksde.org/Default.aspx?tabid=2371>
- Link to Alternate Assessment web page:
<http://www.ksde.org/Default.aspx?tabid=2384>
- Link to KAA and KAMM fact sheet:
<http://www.ksde.org/Default.aspx?tabid=3766>

Formative & Interim Assessments

- CETE – KCA TestBuilder & Interim
http://www.kca.cete.us/kca_testbuilder.htm

AYP Targets

- Link to AYP targets:
<http://www.ksde.org/Default.aspx?tabid=403>
- Percentage of students needed at Meets Standard or above for 2011:
Grades 3-8 = 91.1%

High Schools and Districts = 88.2%

Performance Levels, Cut Scores, and Standard of Excellence

- Five levels: Exemplary, Exceeds Standard, Meets Standard, Approaches Standard, Academic Warning
- Performance Level Descriptors:
<http://www.ksde.org/Default.aspx?tabid=2377>
- Cut scores as approved by the State Board of Education:
<http://www.ksde.org/Default.aspx?tabid=2377>
- Criteria for Standard of Excellence:
<http://www.ksde.org/Default.aspx?tabid=2379>

Scores Reported

- Student performance levels
- Student percent correct
- Results by indicator for student, building, district, and state

Testing Window

Type	Grades	Modes	Open	Close
OTL-Fall	9-11	KCA	Oct. 5	Jan. 20
OTL-Spring	9-10	KCA	Feb. 15	May 11
OTL-Cohort	11	KCA	Feb. 15	Apr. 20
Spring Cohort	3-8	KCA	Feb. 15	Apr. 20
Alternate	3-8 and OTL at HS	Portfolio	Dec. 31	Apr. 20

General and KAMM test windows are the same
Alternate scores entered by April 30, 2011.

English Language Learners (ELLs)

- ELLs must take the state assessment and have the same AYP targets as the general population
- ELLs are considered 'recently arrived' if they have attended schools in the US for less than 12 months prior to opening of the test window (after 2-15-11)
- Recently arrived students are included in AYP for participation only.
- Spanish versions are available. Use if instruction of content has been in Spanish.
- Electronic translators and bilingual dictionaries allowed if regularly used in instruction.
- "ELLs and State Assessments" Fact Sheet:
<http://www.ksde.org/Default.aspx?tabid=2364>

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