

2010–11

Gwinnett County Public Schools

Testing Calendar



Regular attendance has a direct influence on student achievement. That's why it is important that students be in school every day, and especially on test days. Attendance on test days gives students an opportunity to show what they know, providing teachers with important information about each student's learning. Below is a list of dates when Gwinnett high school students will take national, state, and system assessments during the 2010–11 school year. While these days have been set aside for test administration, it is important to remember that only a small amount of time—ranging from as little as one hour up to two hours—is actually spent testing on a given day. Please use this for reference when planning appointments or time away from school.

HIGH SCHOOL TESTING DATES (Main Administrations)

See the back of this flyer for retest opportunities and for high school test preparation resources.

Sept. 29, 2010	Georgia High School Writing Test <i>Grade 11 (Sept. 30 make-up)</i>
Oct. 13, 2010	PSAT <i>Grade 10 (no charge) Grade 11 optional (fee)</i>
Dec. 6–17, 2010	Georgia End of Course Test Window <i>Grades 9–12</i>
Dec. 15–17, 2010	Final Exams <i>Grades 9–12</i>
Jan. 24–March 4, 2011	ACCESS for ELLs Test Administration Window <i>English Language Learners</i>
March 8 and 10, 2011	High School Gateway Field Test <i>Grades 9–10, Science (March 8) Grade 10, Social Studies (March 10)</i>
March 28–31, 2011	Georgia High School Graduation Tests <i>Grade 11 (April 1 make-up) (Language Arts, Mathematics, Science, and Social Studies subtests)</i>
April 18 and 20, 2011	High School Gateway <i>Grade 10 (April 19 and 21 make-up) (Science/Language Arts and Social Studies/ Language Arts)</i>
May 2–13, 2011	Advanced Placement (AP) Exams <i>AP students</i>
May 2–20, 2011	Georgia End of Course Test Window <i>Grades 9–12</i>
May 23–25, 2011	Final Exams <i>Grades 9–12</i>

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HS Test Prep Resources

Regular attendance, daily participation in class, and the completion of assigned homework and projects helps ensure that students are exposed to the curriculum areas covered on these tests. In addition, Gwinnett high school students regularly write essays and compositions to prompts, which are good practice for the state writing test. Students also have several practice resources available online.

- **USA Test Prep.** This resource includes weekly review, daily tips, practice tips, games, and activities, vocabulary, downloads, and more in each of the core academic areas. The resources are available for GHSGT as well as other state tests. Request a user name and student password through your school's testing coordinator or your counselor.
<http://www.usatestprep.com/Member-Login>
- **Online Assessment System.** Practice tests for GHSGT also are available through the state Department of Education **<https://www.georgiaoas.org>**. Select the parent tab and use Gradehs for both the login and the password. (Disable the pop-up blocker or hold down the control key when logging in.)
- **GAcollege411.** The state's free, one-stop college planning website offers a number of valuable resources, including test preparation help. Find hints for preparing for the GHSGT and practice questions in the Test Prep section on the Student Planner tab. Students must set-up a free account to use the site.
GAcollege411.com

HIGH SCHOOL RETEST OPPORTUNITIES

See the front of this flyer for dates of testing main administrations.

Sept. 13–17, 2010	RETEST Georgia High School Graduation Tests <i>9/13– Language Arts 9/14– Mathematics 9/15– Science 9/16– Social Studies 9/17– Make-up</i>
Oct. 26, 2010	RETEST High School Gateway <i>Science/Language Arts in morning Social Studies/Language Arts in afternoon</i>
Nov. 8–12, 2010	RETEST Georgia High School Graduation Tests <i>11/8– Language Arts 11/9– Mathematics 11/10– Science 11/11– Social Studies 11/12– Make-up Administration</i>
Jan. 25, 2011	RETEST High School Gateway <i>Science/Language Arts in morning Social Studies/Language Arts in afternoon</i>
Feb. 23, 2011	RETEST High School Graduation Writing Test <i>2/24– Make-up Administration</i>

NOTE: High schools on block schedule or mini-semester will have an additional testing window for End of Course Tests and Final Exams in October and March. Contact your local school with questions.

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