



Chino Valley Unified School District

Office of Assessment and Instructional Technology

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Dear Parent/Guardian:

This year, Chino Valley Unified School District students in grades 3-8 and 11-12 will be participating in the California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress (CAASPP). The official window for this administration begins in April and ends the last week in May. Within this window, each school will create a specific testing schedule. Each school site will notify parents/guardians of their specific testing schedule.

The Smarter Balanced Summative Assessments are online tests that measure what your child knows and is able to do. The tests include many different types of questions that allow students to interact with the test questions. Results help identify gaps in knowledge or skills early on, so your child can get the support he/she needs to be successful in school.

Students in grades three through eight, eleven and twelve who have an Individualized Education Plan (IEP) that designates the use of an alternate assessment are eligible to take the California Alternate Assessment (CAA) in ELA, Math & Science. The goal of the CAAs is to ensure that students with the most significant cognitive disabilities attain increasingly higher achievement levels and leave high school ready for academic or career options.

This year, your child will take the following test(s), depending on his or her grade level:

Type of Test	Grade Level
Smarter Balanced English Language Arts/Literacy & Math	Grades 3-8 & 11
California Science Test (CAST)	Grades 5, 8, & 11 or 12 (once in high school)
California Alternate Assessment (CAA) ELA/Math/Science	Grades 3-8, 11 & 12
Physical Fitness Test (PFT)	Grades 5, 7, and 9

However, pursuant to *California Code of Regulations, Title 5, Section 852 (b)*, you have the right to exempt your child from taking the CAASPP tests. Any questions regarding your child's participation, or any other questions regarding the 2023-2024 CAASPP administration should be directed to your school site administrator.

Parents will receive all student score reports electronically via the Aeries Parent Portal. For more information about how to login to the parent portal, please visit the Chino Valley Unified School District website at <https://www.chino.k12.ca.us/domain/3248> or ask your school office.

To learn more about these tests go to the Starting Smarter web page at ca.startingsmarter.org/, or review the Parent Guides to Understanding at cde.ca.gov/ta/tg/ca/parentguidetounderstand.asp.

You also can look at sample test questions on the practice tests, which can be found on the CAASPP Web Portal at <http://www.caaspp.org/practice-and-training/index.html>.

We look forward to having all of our students take the state tests to determine and celebrate their growth.

Sincerely,

Tracy Freed, Ed.D.

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