

## North Salisbury Assessment Schedule

Assessments have proven to be an effective way for parents, teachers, and school administrators to assess student progress throughout the academic school year. Please try and avoid scheduling family vacations during the assessment dates below as no student likes to return back to school after a nice break and take a test.

Dates	Test	What is it?
September 8-9	Math Pre-Assessment	All students in grades 3-5 will take a Math Pre-Assessment at the beginning of the school year to assess their needs in math for the upcoming school year. Teachers will use the data collected from this assessment to create meaningful instruction that is differentiated to meet the needs of all students.
September 10-11	Reading Pre-Assessment	All students in grades 3-5 will take a Reading Pre-Assessment at the beginning of the school year to assess their needs in math for the upcoming school year. Teachers will use the data collected from this assessment to create meaningful instruction that is differentiated to meet the needs of all students.
October 2009 January 2010 April 2010	Scholastic Reading Inventory (SRI)	SRI (SRI) is a research-based, computer-adaptive reading assessment for Grades K–12 that measures students’ level of reading comprehension and reports it using the Lexile Framework® for Reading. Data aggregation and disaggregation by demographic subgroup helps administrators monitor progress toward Annual Yearly Progress (AYP) while classroom and student-level reports help teachers to place students, differentiate instruction, monitor progress, and forecast state test results.
November 2-3, 2009	Reading Benchmark 1	All students in grades 3-5 will be assessed on their progress in Reading. Teachers will use this data to better inform and differentiate instruction to meet all student needs.
November 5-6, 2009	Math Benchmark 1	All students in grades 3-5 will be assessed on their progress in Math. Teachers will use this data to better inform and differentiate instruction to meet all student needs.
January 21-22, 2010	Math Benchmark 2	All students in grades 3-5 will be assessed on their progress in Math. Teachers will use this data to better inform and differentiate instruction to meet all student needs.
February 3-4, 2010	Reading Benchmark 2	All students in grades 3-5 will be assessed on their progress in Reading. Teachers will use this data to better inform and differentiate instruction to meet all student needs.
<b>March 9-10, 2010</b>	<b>MSA Math</b>	The Maryland School Assessment (MSA) is a test of reading, math, and science achievement. This test provides educators, parents, and the public valuable information about student, school, school system, and state performance.
<b>March 16-17, 2010</b>	<b>MSA Reading</b>	
<b>April 21<sup>st</sup>-May 11, 2010</b>	<b>MSA Science Grade 5 ONLY</b>	
May 12-13, 2010	Math Benchmark 3	All students in grades 3-5 will be assessed on their progress in Math. Teachers will use this data to better inform and differentiate instruction to meet all student needs.
May 17-18, 2010	Reading Benchmark 3	All students in grades 3-5 will be assessed on their progress in Reading. Teachers will use this data to better inform and differentiate instruction to meet all student needs.