

Comparison of Connecticut Alternate Assessments

	Connecticut Alternate Assessment (CTAA) for Math and ELA	Connecticut Alternate Science (CTAS)	Connecticut Alternate Assessment of English Language Proficiency (CAAELP)
Test Window	March 25-May 31, 2024	Administered throughout the year. Upload student score worksheets via the Data Entry Interface March 25-May 31, 2024	February 1-March 29, 2024
TIDE User Role Required	Teacher Administering the Alternate (TEA)	Teacher Administering the Alternate (TEA)	Teacher Administering the Alternate (TEA)
Student Eligibility	Students identified as special education with significant cognitive disabilities per PPT decision using Alternate Assessment System Eligibility Form ; form must be submitted in CT-SEDS and IEP must be fully implemented	Students identified as special education with significant cognitive disabilities per PPT decision using Alternate Assessment System Eligibility Form ; form must be submitted in CT-SEDS and IEP must be fully implemented	Students identified as EL/ML and special education with significant cognitive disabilities per PPT decision using Alternate Assessment System Eligibility Form ; form must be submitted in CT-SEDS and IEP must be fully implemented
Grades	3-8 and 11	5, 8, and 11	K-12
Test Subject Areas	English Language Arts <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reading • Writing Mathematics	Science <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Earth • Life • Physical 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reading • Listening • Speaking • Writing
Test Delivery Method	Trained TEA administers the grade-specific math and ELA items via the online testing system individually to eligible students in a one-to-one test setting.	Trained TEA assesses eligible student with performance tasks based on Connecticut Alternate Science Assessment Essence statements in a one-to-one test setting.	Trained educator (with TEA User Role) administers CAAELP assessment items to eligible EL/ML using the Cambium Test Delivery System in a one-to-one test setting.
Required Administration Materials	Administered with required secure Directions for Test Administration (DTAs) and CTAA Test Administration Manual.	Designed to be administered throughout the school year using CTAS Required Materials and CTAS Test Administration Manual . Student ratings recorded on the CTAS Student Score Worksheet and entered in the DEI.	Administered using grade- and domain-specific Test Administrator Directions and Scoring Rubrics Booklets and CAAELP Test Administration Manual.
Security	Secure	Non-Secure	Secure
Training	Connecticut Alternate Assessment System Training Course (cambiumast.com)	Connecticut Alternate Assessment System Training Course (cambiumast.com)	CAAELP Test Administration Training
Certificate	"Trained status" indicated in TIDE profile	"Trained status" indicated in TIDE profile	Trained status certificate is not linked to TIDE and should be maintained locally.
Submissions into DEI	None	CTAS Score Worksheet for scoring Between March 25 and May 31, 2024.	None