

# Iowa Assessments

Administered to Grades 3-11  
March 2-6, 2015

**IA Assessments** help guide instructional decision-making as well as provide an accountability measure to our school community. You can help your student have a successful testing week by following the suggestions below. If you have any questions about the testing schedule, please contact your child's homeroom teacher (for elementary students) or Mrs. Duda (for secondary students). Individual student results will be available in April. Watch for school-wide results reported next fall in the Annual Progress report. Results of the 2014 IA Assessments are available [here](#).

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## Preparing for Testing

Note tests on your home calendar and schedule appointments on non-testing days. If appointments must be schedule during testing week, avoid having your child miss an assessment.

## Testing Day

See that your child is rested and eats breakfast.

Arrive at school on time so your child has an adequate amount of time to get settled and prepare for testing.

Encourage your child to do the best work possible.

Reduce test anxiety by:

- \* Discussing the test openly and in a positive way.
- \* Have realistic expectations of your child's performance while encouraging his/her best efforts.
- \* Emphasize the test is only one measure of academic performance.
- \* Emphasize the test scores do not determine a person's worth.

## After Testing

Examine test results when they are sent home later this spring.

Determine areas of strength and weakness.

Praise your child's testing strengths and plan to address identified weaknesses.

Visit with your Sharon Zonnefeld, Director of Curriculum & Assessment, your student's principal, or the classroom teacher about any concerns.