

2024-2025 Arizona's Science Test (AzSCI)

Test Window:
March 17 – April 11, 2025

AzSCI – Grades 5, 8, and 11 / Cohort 2026 – Overview

- ✓ Science content aligned to the 2018 Arizona Science Standards (Core Ideas, Science & Engineering Practices, and Crosscutting Concepts)
- ✓ Based on grade bands: Students in Grade 5 will be assessed on standards from Grades 3-5. Students in Grade 8 will be assessed on standards from Grades 6-8.
- ✓ Students in Cohort 2026 will be assessed on high school Essential Standards in physical science, earth and space science, and life science.
- ✓ AzSCI test units are untimed.
- ✓ Three test units, estimated 60-90 minutes each
- ✓ Calculator – Grade 5: [Desmos Four-Function](#)
- ✓ Calculator – Grades 8 and 11: [Desmos Scientific](#)
- ✓ AzSCI is an online test only. Any paper tests administered are “Special Paper Version” tests, requiring the student responses to be key-entered in TestNav by a trained Test Administrator by the end of the test window.
- ✓ Cohort 2026 students will take AzSCI regardless of actual grade level or the Science courses they have completed or are enrolled in.
- ✓ Cohort 2026 students will also take ACT in Spring 2025, which includes a Science subtest in addition to the English, Reading, Math, and Writing subtests.

Accessibility

- ✓ Arizona Accommodations Manual (revised August 2024): <https://www.azed.gov/assessment/accessibility>
- ✓ Special Paper Version tests available - Braille, large print, and regular print
- ✓ American Sign Language (ASL) test forms are available.
- ✓ Submit requests for Special Paper Version tests, ASL tests, and Additional Accommodations **September 3, 2024 – February 21, 2025**. Submission request forms and request process quick guides are published at <https://www.azed.gov/assessment/sci>.

Resources

- ✓ Sample Tests, including for ASL: <https://home.testnav.com/>; Login is not required. Select “Arizona,” then select “Mic Check & Sample Tests.”
- ✓ Blueprints, Item Specifications, and Performance Level Descriptors: <https://www.azed.gov/assessment/resources>

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