For the 2021-2022 school year, the HGSS Assessment will be a REQUIRED FIELD TEST to be conducted by all districts in Kansas. Beginning with the 2022-2023 school year, the HGSS Assessment will be REQUIRED EACH YEAR to be conducted by all districts in Kansas. What is the CBA? When is the CBA? Who scores the CBA? Below is a series of Questions with corresponding answers concerning the HGSS-Classroom Based Assessment (CBA).

CBA Q&A

Q: When is the Testing Window?
A: Your academic school year.

Q: Is the CBA required?
A: Yes, this year is a Required Field Test.

Q: Is the CBA inquiry based?
A: Yes. Students will answer a compelling question by making a claim or advancing a thesis using evidence and argument. (See Benchmarks 1.4, 2.4, 3.4, 4.4 and 5.4)

Q: When/How are scores reported?
A: Scores are reported, by each school district, on their end of the year KIDS report.

Q: Can other HGSS grade level teachers (grade levels not reporting) use the CBA rubric to assess students?
A: Yes. In order to support high-quality instruction across all grade levels, every HGSS grade level is encouraged to use the CBA rubric to assess students.
Q: Can students revise a CBA for a better score or take multiple CBAs?
   A: Yes, and Yes.

Q: What grades are reporting scores?
   A: Grades 4, 7, and 11.

Q: How are accommodations addressed?
   A: As the CBA is part of your classroom instruction, accommodations are embedded.

Q: Can students be assessed using the same and/or different compelling questions?
   A: Yes.

Q: Can a CBA assessment count as a classroom grade?
   A: Yes.

Q: Who grades the CBA?
   A: The classroom teacher scores each CBA using the CBA rubric.

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