

Shrinking the Assessment Summative Footprint

For purposes of estimating assessment time, the Kansas State Department of Education calculates one session as 45 to 60 minutes.

	MATH Grades 3 - 8, 10			ELA (English Language Arts) Grades 3 - 8, 10			SCIENCE Grades 5, 8, 11	
	MACHINE SCORED	PERFORMANCE	TOTAL TIME (minutes)	MACHINE SCORED	PERFORMANCE	TOTAL TIME (minutes)	MACHINE SCORED	TOTAL TIME (minutes)
2016	4 sessions	1 session	225-300	4 sessions	2 sessions	270-360	3 sessions	135-180
2017	2 sessions	Moved to interim	90-120	2 sessions	Moved to interim	90-120	2 sessions	90-120

Kansas Voluntary Interim Assessments

The first phase of the Kansas Voluntary Interim Assessment program will be launched during the 2016-2017 school year.

Phase 1 will include the following, which are aligned with the Kansas standards in English Language Arts (ELA) and mathematics:

- **Mini tests** (multiple choice and technology-enhanced questions).
- **Performance items** (Multidisciplinary Performance Task, also known as MDPT, and Math Performance Task, also known as MPT).

Each mini test has six to eight test items while the performance tasks are related items that were implemented in the filed during the past two years. Teachers can combine mini tests to make a larger test or they can use the individual mini tests to assess a specific content after teaching it.

The Kansas Voluntary Interim Assessment isn't designed as "practice prep for the Kansas assessment" but is designed to help guide teachers and schools in making good instructional decisions about student learning.

Phase I of the Interim Assessment will be ready for release in early September 2016. Training will be provided through webinars and at the KSDE Annual Conference in the fall.

Additional work will be conducted on the Interim Assessment throughout the year using educator feedback and analysis of the mini tests.

Phase II of the Interim Assessment will provide predictive scores and more.

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