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# *Key State Education Policies on PK-12 Education: 2002*

Time and Attendance  
Early Childhood Education  
Graduation Requirements  
Content Standards  
Teacher Standards and Licensure  
School Leader Licensure  
Student Assessment



*Results from the 2002 CCSSO Policies and Practices Survey  
State Departments of Education*



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Table 13

## High School Exit Exam Requirement—2002

State	Required Exit Exam	Name of Assessment, High School Student Accountability
Alabama	Y	Alabama High School Graduation Exam, 3rd ed., High School Graduation
Alaska		Criterion-Referenced Testing; Reported to the public
Arizona		
Arkansas		Criterion-Referenced Testing; Benchmark Exams and End of Level Exams; Required remediation
California	Y	California High School Proficiency Exam (CHSPE)
Colorado		
Connecticut	Y	Connecticut Academic Performance Test
Delaware		Delaware Student Testing Program; Individual Improvement Plans for students not meeting the standards
DoDEA		
Dist. of Columbia		Stanford Achievement Test, 9th Ed.; Required remediation
Florida	Y	Florida Comprehensive Assessment Test
Georgia	Y	Georgia High School Graduation Test (GHS GT), Writing Test
Hawaii		
Idaho		
Illinois		Illinois Standards Achievement Test (ISAT); Student promotion/retention, Required remediation
Indiana	Y	Statewide Assessment
Iowa		
Kansas		Kansas Assessment Program; Student classifications
Kentucky		
Louisiana	Y	Graduation Exit Examination (GEE 21)
Maine		
Maryland	Y	Maryland Functional Test
Massachusetts		Massachusetts Comprehensive Assessment System (MCAS); Certificate of mastery, required remediation
Michigan		MEAP High School Test; Endorses the locally issued high school transcript
Minnesota	Y	Basic Standards Tests
Mississippi	Y	Functional Literacy Examination
Missouri		
Montana		
Nebraska		School-Based Teacher-Led Assessment and Reporting System (STARS); Required remediation
Nevada	Y	Direct Writing Assessment, High School Proficiency Examination
New Hampshire		
New Jersey	Y	Grade 11 High School Proficiency Test (HSPT)
New Mexico	Y	NM High School Competency Exam
New York	Y	Occupational Education Proficiency Examinations, Regents Competency Tests, Regents Examinations Program
North Carolina	Y	North Carolina Annual Testing Program, Competency Testing, Test of Computer Skills
North Dakota		Terra Nova (CTB/5) and Test of Cognitive Skills, 2nd Ed.; Endorsed high school diploma, student promotion/retention, required remediation
Ohio	Y	9th Grade Proficiency Testing
Oklahoma		Oklahoma Core Curriculum tests; Must score a Satisfactory on 8th grade reading assessment to obtain a state drivers license
Oregon		Reading, Writing, Science, and Mathematics Assessment; Required remediation
Pennsylvania		Reading, Mathematics, Writing; Districts decide how to hold students accountable with scores on the PSSA
Rhode Island		
South Carolina	Y	Criterion-Referenced Tests, BSAP, High School Exit Examination
South Dakota		
Tennessee	Y	Competency Test
Texas	Y	Texas Assessment of Academic Skills (TAAS)
Utah		
Vermont		
Virgin Islands		
Virginia	Y	Standards of Learning (SOL) Assessment Program, Virginia Literacy Passport Testing Program
Washington		
West Virginia		Norm-Referenced Test; Endorsed high school, required remediation
Wisconsin		
Wyoming		

Y: 20 states

Source: State Departments of Education, CCSSO Policies and Practices Survey, 2002  
 Council of Chief State School Officers, Division of State Services and Technical Assistance, Washington, D.C.

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# State Education Policies and Practices: 2000

Attendance

Practices



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Table 12

## High School Exit Exam Requirement, 2000

State	Required Exit Exam	Name of Assessment
Alabama	Y	High School Basic Skills Exam & HS Graduation Exam
Alaska	D	AK High School Qualifying Examination (effective 2002).
Arizona	D	AZ's Instrument to Measure Standards (AIMS) will test standards in reading, writing, and math.
Arkansas	—	
California	D	Exit exam begins spring 2001 (graduating class of 2004)
Colorado	—	
Connecticut	—	Students receive certification of mastery on HS transcripts from CT Academic Perf. Test
Delaware	—	
DoDEA	—	
Florida	Y	High school competency test
Georgia	Y	GA High School Graduation Tests
Hawaii	Y	HI State Test of Essential Competencies (16 Competencies).
Idaho	—	
Illinois	D	Prairie State Achievement Examination for grade 11 students (begins 2001).
Indiana	Y	Tests competence in applied and basic skills in math and English/lang. arts.
Iowa	—	
Kansas	—	
Kentucky	—	
Louisiana	Y	Exams in math, English, science, social studies. (New exam LEAP 21 in M, E/La begins 2001).
Maine	D	Developing
Maryland	Y	Functional Skills Test in math, reading, writing, citizenship. (New content area exams field tested in 1999/2000)
Massachusetts	D	MA Comprehensive Assessment System in math and English (req. class of 2003).
Michigan	—	Tests in math, reading, writing, science to endorse local HS transcripts.
Minnesota	Y	Basic Standards tests in math, reading, written composition, and demonstrate knowledge in 10 learning areas (req. 2001)
Mississippi	Y	Functional Literacy Exam (under revision).
Missouri	—	
Montana	—	
Nebraska	—	
Nevada	Y	NV High School Proficiency Exam (developing test based on standards).
New Hampshire	—	
New Jersey	Y	Grade 11 High School Proficiency Test
New Mexico	Y	High School Competency Exam in grade 10.
New York	Y	Regents exams required in content areas.
North Carolina	Y	NC Competency Tests in math and reading; NC Computer Skills Tests. (New exam 2002)
North Dakota	—	
Ohio	Y	State Proficiency Tests in English, math, science, social studies.
Oklahoma	D	Content area tests begin 2000-01.
Oregon	D	Performance Based Admission System (2001-02).
Pennsylvania	—	
Rhode Island	—	
South Carolina	Y	Basic Skills Assessment Program.
South Dakota	—	
Tennessee	Y	Competency Test in math and language arts.
Texas	Y	TX Assessment of Academic Skills in math and English/lang. arts (new tests by 2002/03)
Utah	D	High school competency test
Vermont	—	
Virginia	Y	Standards of Learning exams in math, English, science and history (class of '01).
Washington	—	
West Virginia	—	Norm-ref test scores provides warranty for students entering workforce or higher education.
Wisconsin	—	
Wyoming	—	
<b>TOTAL States</b>	<b>19 = Y</b>	

Note: Y = Yes, required exit exam for graduation, D = Developing

Source: State Student Assessment Program Database, 1998-99 school year, CASSO.  
Council of Chief State School Officers, State Education Assessment Center, Washington, DC.