

Using WIDA Assessments

As a member of the WIDA International School Consortium, you have access to WIDA assessment systems and resources. WIDA tools support a systematic approach to language integration and content learning. WIDA assessments are built on a foundation of strong research and are grounded in the WIDA English Language Development (ELD) Standards Framework.

Visit the <u>Choosing an</u>
<u>Assessment</u> webpage for more information.



An English language proficiency assessment given one time to new students in Grades 1-12 to help educators **identify** whether new students are English language learners (ELLs).

- What does it assess? Each of the four language domains: Listening, Speaking, Reading, Writing.
- When can I use it? Anytime during the school year.
- How is it administered? It is administered locally by trained test administrators and is recorded on paper, with parts of the Listening and Speaking domains delivered electronically.
- How is it scored? It is scored locally by trained raters. It reports proficiency level scores, from 1 to 6, for each language domain and for three composite scores: Oral Language, Literacy, and Overall.
- How can I use the scores? Scores are used for identification purposes. If a student is identified as an ELL, proficiency level scores can be used by educators to plan differentiated levels of support for each child.

WIDA MODEL

A flexible, on-demand English language proficiency assessment for students in Kindergarten through Grade 12. WIDA MODEL can be used to **measure and monitor** student progress over time. Five complimentary WIDA MODEL Online assessments (for Grades 1-12) are included with membership.

- What does it assess? Each of the four language domains: Listening, Speaking, Reading, Writing.
- When can I use it? Anytime during the school year, but no more than twice per school year per student.
- How is it administered? WIDA MODEL Online, for students in Grades 1-12, is delivered and facilitated through the online test platform. WIDA MODEL Paper is delivered face-to-face between Test Administrators and students.
- How is it scored? WIDA MODEL for Kindergarten reports proficiency level scores from 1 to 6. For Grades 1-12, WIDA MODEL reports both proficiency level scores (from 1 to 6) and scale scores (from 100 to 600).
- How can I use the scores? WIDA MODEL scores provide information that informs instructional planning and other decisions related to students' education. Scale scores in Grades 1-12 are useful for interpreting student progress, as they provide a more nuanced understanding of language proficiency.





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When choosing WIDA assessments and resources for your school, consider your unique needs; including how you will use assessment data, available technology, and the number of multilingual students at your school. Consider how many, and how often, students would be assessed each year.

Assessment packages are available in:

- Complete grade level kits, which include test administration materials and student resources
- Component parts
 - Test administration resources
 - Student response booklets

To purchase membership and assessments with a pro-forma invoice:

- 1. Estimate the number of students you have in the categories shown.
- Contact the WIDA Store at store@wceps.org to request a quote or pro-forma invoice using the information from the chart.

If you have already completed your membership purchase:

- Estimate the number of students you have in the categories below.
- 2. Have your membership code ready.
- 3. Visit the WIDA Store and use the information from the chart to place your order.

WIDA Screener Assessment

How many ELL students do you assess for admissions/placement decisions per year?

Grade	Number of test administrators	Number of new students per year
Grade 1		
Grades 2-3		
Grades 4-5		
Grades 6-8		
Grades 9-12		

WIDA MODEL Assessment

How many ELL students does your school assess for monitoring progress?

Grade	Number of test administrators	Number of students - first semester	Number of students - second semester
Kindergarten			
Grades 1-2			
Grades 3-5			
Grades 6-8			
Grades 9-12			

