Horry County Schools Assessment List

Assessment Required	Who Takes Assessment	Frequency/Date	Additional Comments
by: Federal			
ELDA (English Language	English Second Language students	1—Feb-March	
Development Assessment)			

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by: State		*****	
PASS Reading, Writing,	Grades 3-8	1May	
Math, Science and Social			
Studies			
SC- ALT (PASS)	Special education students in grades 3-8 with significant cognitive disabilities	1Spring	
HSAP	All second year high school students; and students who did not pass first attempt in second year of high school	1—April (first- time takers) 1October (those who have not passed yet)	
End-of-Course tests:	Middle and high school students	2At the end of	
Algebra I, English I,	enrolled in those courses	each semester	
Biology, and US History			
CoGAT	Census testing at grades 2 and 5; Referrals at grades 3,4, 6-12	1October	Used as a screener for Gifted and Talented program identification
STAR Performance	Grades 2-5	1February	Used as additional screener for Gifted and Talented
Assessment			program identification

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by: Other External			
PSAT	Grade 10 students and others who	1October	Screening tool for National Merit Semi-Finalist and
	meet requirement		Finalist
Advanced Placement (AP)	High school students enrolled in	1May	Required to take test in order to earn AP credit for
exams	AP courses		completed class
ACT	High school students	Monthly on	Used for college admission. Taken on non-school days.
		Saturday	
SAT	High school Students	Monthly on	Used for college admission. Taken on non-school days.
	See	Saturday	

Assessments Required by: District	Who Takes Assessment	Frequency/Date	Additional Comments
MAP Reading, Math and	Grades 2-8 all students; Grades 9-	3September,	Used as criterion to identify gifted students and
Language Usage	12 select students	December and	students for interventions; used to predict student
		March	achievement on state standardized assessments PASS
			and HSAP; used to monitor progress toward each
			student's annual growth goals
CIRCLE	Child Development students	3September,	Provides early identification for at-risk students in
		January and May	reading
DIBELS	Grades K-2	3September,	Provides early identification for at-risk students in
		January and May	reading
Benchmark: High School	Students enrolled in courses	4 times per year	District-developed assessments to monitor student
Biology, Algebra I, Math			progress in classes with an End-Of-Course test
Tech I-II and US History			
Benchmark: Elementary	Grades 3-5	4 times per year	District-developed assessments to monitor student
Science and Social Studies			progress on state standards tested on PASS
Benchmark: Middle School	Grades 6-8	4 times per year	District-developed assessments to monitor student
Science and Social Studies			progress on state standards tested on PASS
Explore	Grade 8	1September	Career inventory results for IGP and to predict student
			achievement on ACT
PLAN	Grade 10	1October	Career inventory results for IGP and to predict student
			achievement on ACT