# **RICAS** Assessments

The Rhode Island Comprehensive Assessment System (RICAS) is a high quality assessment of English Language Arts (ELA) and Mathematics given to Rhode Island students in grades 3-8.



## Why is RICAS important?

The RICAS assessment gives teachers, students, and families information about student progress, school performance, and how to improve teaching and learning.

## When will my child take the RICAS?



The **RICAS ELA** assessment window is March 25- April 26, 2024. The **RICAS mathematics** assessment window is April 22-May 24, 2024.

### How do I know how my child performed on the 2023 RICAS assessment?



Each student who takes the RICAS assessment in English language arts and mathematics, has a Student Score Report sent to their school to be shared with families. Further information about the Student Score Report can be found at <u>www.ride.ri.gov/Assessment-Results</u>

## How long are RICAS assessments?

Total testing time varies by subject. Students complete sessions over several days or weeks.

ELA	
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### **Mathematics**

2 sessions

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Suggested testing<br/>time per session:<br/>120-150 minutesSuggested testing<br/>time per session:<br/>90 minutes

## What types of questions will my child be asked?



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Students will answer different types of questions to measure understanding in ELA and mathematics, including multiple choice, fill-in-the-blank, "technology enhanced" questions like drag-and-drop, and written responses.

If you are interested in learning more about the types of questions on the assessment, check out the RICAS Released Items and Practice Tests at RICAS.PearsonSupport.com/Student.

For more information: <u>RICAS.PearsonSupport.com</u> and <u>www.ride.ri.gov/Families</u>.

