

# Standardized Testing

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## What is it?

A **standardized test** is a test that is administered and scored in a consistent or "standard" manner. Standardized tests are designed in a way where the questions, conditions for administering, scoring procedures, and interpretations are consistent and are administered and scored in a predetermined, standard manner.

# What is the purpose of standardized testing?

Standardized testing is beneficial in the following ways. First, it allows for comparisons to be made among schools in regards to student achievement. Second, it ensures accountability for teachers. Third, these tests give the ability to inform instruction for educators. These important reasons show why standardized testing is one of the hottest topics in education.

## What are some examples of standardized tests that GMCS uses?

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1. Acadience Benchmarking for K - 6th grade
2. The PSSA for 3rd - 6th grade