



The New Mexico Assessment of Science Readiness (NM-ASR) measures science proficiency aligned to the [New Mexico STEM Ready! Science Standards](#). 2021-2022 will be an operational administration of the NM-ASR.



Who takes the NM-ASR in 2021-2022?

All students in grades 5, 8, and 11 will take the NM-ASR, except for those students who take the alternate assessment based upon an IEP.



What does the test measure?

The NM-ASR is designed to measure a student's progress towards college and career readiness, as demonstrated by making sense of phenomena and solving real-world problems when applying and connecting scientific knowledge and skills. The items on the NM-ASR are aligned to the standards for each grade band (3-5, middle, and high). The assessments will use the item clusters, standalone items, and open-ended items to measure the three dimensions of the new standards. NM-ASR test specifications and blueprints can be found on our Assessment Bureau webpage.



When is the test given?

The administration window for the NM-ASR will be March 28 – May 6, 2022. Access the [Online Interactive Calendar](#) for assessment administration and training dates.



How is the test administered?

The NM-ASR is computer-based assessment. It is completed in three sessions and is available in English and in Spanish. The assessment includes accessibility features and accommodations to support diverse student needs. Paper-based English and Spanish test forms will also be available for students with appropriate accommodations or for schools with online testing waivers.



What are the performance levels?

1	2	3	4
Novice	Nearing Proficiency	Proficient	Advanced



When can I access reports?

Schools and families will receive student reports following standard setting after the 2021-22 operational administration of NM-ASR.

Visit the Assessment Bureau website for more [NM-ASR resources](#) or [other assessment information](#).