

Balanced Assessment System Framework

	Classroom Assessments		Common Formative Assessments	Benchmark Assessments	External Summative Assessments
Examples of practice	Worksheets, clickers, whiteboards, exit slips, conferences	Final exams, final projects	Tasks assessed with rubrics, short quizzes, common worksheets, and clickers	Quarterly tests or performances, writing samples	State tests and ACT, SAT, and AP exams
Formative or summative?	Very formative	More summative	Very formative	More summative	Summative
Whose responsibility?	Classroom teachers	Classroom teachers	Collaborative teams at each school	District teams of representative teachers	An external group of experts
Purpose?	To give immediate feedback	To give a grade	To determine if students have learned the material and how to respond	To assess curriculum, instructional strategies, and pacing	To determine whether curriculum, instructional strategies, and pacing were appropriate