Testing for USVI Public School students begins on March 14, 2016 and ends on June 17, 2016.

Students will access the Smarter Balanced test in their schools' computer labs on the dates designated for their particular grade levels.

Example: Grade 3 students will be tested during the week of March 14–18.

Please contact your child’s school for further testing information.

Welcome, Students & Families!
This page provides access to important information for students and families as your student prepares to take the upcoming Smarter Balanced English Language Arts (ELA) and Mathematics assessments.

To access information for Students & Families, visit: http://vide.portal.airast.org/

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