

Guide to Early Childhood Assessments in Even Start

	Assessment	Ages	When to Pre-Test	When to Post-Test
ECIPQ 3	Denver II	Birth – 2 ½ all newly enrolled 3 yr olds	By end of 3 rd month of enrollment	<i>Screening only</i> – <u>no post-test</u> needed
	Brigance	Birth – 23 mo.	By end of 3 rd month of enrollment	<i>Screening only</i> – <u>no post-test</u> needed
	Bayley (BINS)	3 mo. – 24 mo.	By end of 3 rd month of enrollment	<i>Screening only</i> – <u>no post-test</u> needed
ECIPQ 6	PPVT	3-5 yrs. <u>as of Sept. 1</u>	As soon as possible after enrollment	Must be at least 120 days between pre-test and post-test; post-test as late as possible during FY
Required	PALS Pre-K	4 yrs. <u>as of Sept. 1</u>	Sept. – Oct.	After 6 months of enrollment * <u>Note: test in spring even if no pre-test was administered</u>

ECIPQ #3 - 85% of the **birth through two year olds and all newly enrolled three year olds** from Even Start families will be screened for developmental progress **by the end of the third month of enrollment** in Even Start. All children identified in high risk or delay categories will be referred for additional assessment. Screening instruments are selected from a suggested list to include the Bayley Infant Neurological Screener (BINS), Brigance Diagnostic Inventory or the Denver Developmental Screening Test.

ECIPQ #6 - 70% of students who are **3-5 years of age by September 1** of the program year from Even Start families enrolled in Even Start **for at least four consecutive months** will show progress between **pre and post testing** on the Peabody Picture Vocabulary Test, Third Edition (PPVT) administered in English. Progress is shown by achieving the same or greater standard score on pre and post measures which would indicate growth according to assessment norms.

PALS Pre-K – **Before the end of the third month of enrollment**, all Even Start programs must administer Section II Parts A, B and C, Alphabet Knowledge, of the PALS Pre-K to children who were **four years old on September 1, 2008** (birthdates fall on or between September 2, 2003 and September 1, 2004.) Texas LEARNS encourages Even Start programs to administer all sections of the PALS Pre-K to eligible children. **Children must be re-assessed after 6 months of continuous enrollment.** Children should be assessed even if a pre-test was not administered.