

Notification of Universal Screening
Schalmont Academic Intervention Services Plan
Schalmont Middle School

Dear Schalmont Family,

Schalmont Central School District conducts universal screening four times annually to proactively and systematically inform instructional planning. This preventative action is part of our Academic Intervention Services Plan as mandated by the New York State Education Department. Data is used to measure learning and inform how we can adapt instruction to ensure achievement for every student.

The district uses STAR Early Literacy, STAR Reading and STAR Math universal screening assessments. These are computer-adaptive assessments that adjust the complexity of tasks based on the student's prior response. Tests are completed quickly and teachers receive the results immediately. STAR tests are accurate, reliable, and valid, and are highly rated for screening and progress-monitoring. The District's comprehensive AIS plan was approved by the Board of Education in June 2024. While it is on our website, if you wish to receive a copy, please don't hesitate to reach out to Board Clerk Donna Woods at dwoods@schalmont.net.

The universal screening schedule is listed below. After each screen, your child may be identified to be at risk for learning gaps in math or reading. If this is the case, they will participate in interventions to address their individual needs. You will receive written notification if/when your child is recommended to participate in Academic Intervention Services (AIS).

Schalmont Central School District is committed to high outcomes for every child. It truly takes all of us working collectively and collaboratively to make this vision a reality. Thank you for your willingness to partner with us by supporting your child.

Armine Gonzalez
Director of Academic & Instructional Support Services

Dr. Thomas Reardon
Superintendent

STAR Universal Screening Windows 2025-2026
5th Grade - 8th Grade

Students participate in two sessions, one Reading and one Math, each on a different day during the window. Assessment time ranges from 20 - 40 minutes based on grade level.

STAR Benchmark Window #1	September 5 - 15
STAR Benchmark Window #2	November 6 - 15
STAR Benchmark Window #3	January 22 - 31
STAR Benchmark Window #4	April 2 - 11