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TO: District Superintendents
Superintendents of Public and Nonpublic Schools
Principals of Public and Nonpublic Schools

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SUBJECT: Dates of Elementary- and Intermediate-Level State Assessments for the 2004–2005 School Year

2004–2005 School Year

Examination	Administration Dates	Make-up Dates	Field Tests
Grade 4 English Language Arts	Monday, January 31– Friday, February 4*	Monday, February 7– Friday, February 11	To be determined ^Δ
Grade 4 Mathematics	Tuesday, May 10– Thursday, May 12	Friday, May 13– Tuesday, May 17	To be determined ^Δ
Grade 8 English Language Arts	Monday, January 10– Friday, January 14*	Tuesday, January 18– Friday, January 21	To be determined ^Δ
Grade 8 Mathematics	Tuesday, May 10– Wednesday, May 11	Thursday, May 12– Monday, May 16	To be determined ^Δ
Grade 4 Elementary-Level Science	Any time in May	Any time in May	Administered in a Department- selected sample of statistically representative schools. Selected schools will be contacted directly by the Department.
Grade 5 Elementary-Level Social Studies	Wednesday, November 17– Thursday, November 18	Friday, November 19– Monday, November 22 and Tuesday, November 23	
Grade 8 Intermediate-Level Science Performance Test	Any time in January**	Any time in January	
Grade 8 Intermediate-Level Science Written Test	Any time between Wednesday, June 1 and Friday, June 17	Any time between Thursday, June 2 and Friday, June 17	
Grade 8 Intermediate-Level Social Studies	Wednesday, June 1 and Thursday, June 2	Friday, June 3– Monday, June 6, and Tuesday, June 7	
Intermediate-Level Technology Education	Optional, dates to be determined by school.	Optional, dates to be determined by school.	NA
Alternate Assessment for Students with Severe Disabilities***	Monday, October 4 to Friday, February 11	NA	NA
National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP) Grades 4, 8, & 12 Reading & Math	January 24–March 11 [○]	NA	NA
New York State English as a Second Language Achievement Test (NYSESLAT)	Monday, May 9– Friday, May 20	NA	NA
NYSESLAT (Speaking)	Monday, April 25– Friday, May 20	NA	NA

*Public school districts and nonpublic schools should select specific dates (three for Grade 4 and two for Grade 8) within the test administration windows specified above.

Schools that **do not participate in block or semester programs will administer the performance test in January only. Schools that have semester schedules may administer this performance test in May only to those of their students who study science exclusively in the spring semester.

***This datafolio test is also administered to secondary level students with severe disabilities during the same administration dates.

^ΔSchools selected by the United States Department of Education to participate in the National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP) Grades 4 and 8 ELA and Mathematics tests will be exempt from the New York State field test requirement for the NAEP-selected grade.

[○]Several hundred New York State schools will be selected by the United States Department of Education to participate in a one-day NAEP test scheduled between these dates. New York State English Language Arts Test administration and make-up dates will be excluded.