2024 NYS Exams Family Information Session

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2024 ELA, Math, and Science Exam Details

Not including Computer-Based Testing for Grade 5 (see later slides)

• ELA

- Testing window will take place April 10-April 11 (make-ups will go until April 17)
- Test will consist of 2 days

Math

- Testing window will take place May 7-May 8 (make-ups will go until May 14)
- Test will consist of 2 days

Science

- Grade 5 only.
- Test will take place 1 day (CBT)

Computer-Based Testing for Grade 5

- Testing Administration Dates
 - CBT Testing Window April 8 May 17 (exact date TBD).
- All Grade 5 students will be taking exams on computers.
- State will gradually expand CBT program to all testing grades by 2026.
- Visit https://ny.nextera.questarai.com/tds/#practice for more info and practice exams.

Exam Format

- All State Exams are a combination of Multiple Choice and Constructive Response Questions.
- Multiple choice questions have 4 options, one of which is correct. Students will mark their answers on a separate bubble sheet or on screen if CBT.
- Written response questions will be recorded directly in the test booklet, or in additional space if CBT.
- Untimed. If students are "actively working" they will have as much time as needed.
- States tests are given to measure student knowledge and skills as defined by the grade-level NY Next Generation Learning Standards. They are designed to report student proficiency in 1 of 4 performance levels.

ELA Format by Grade

Grade	Passages	Multiple Choice Questions	2-Credit Constructed Response Questions	4-Credit Constructed Response Questions
Grade 3	6	29	5	0
Grade 4	7	29	5	1
Grade 5	7	33	5	1

Math Format by Grade

Grade	Multiple Choice Questions	1-Credit Constructed Response Quesions	2-Credit Constructed Response Questions	3-Credit Constructed Response Questions
Grade 3	30	3	4	1
Grade 4	35	3	5	1
Grade 5	35	3	6	1

Science Format (Grade 5)

- Schools are still waiting on final word from state as to the format of the exam, but it will be a combination of multiple choice and constructed response questions.
- Examples of the Science exam can be found on Nextera site (links in multiple pages of this PowerPoint)
- Students will have "Investigations" leading up to CBT Exam.

Leading up to the Exams

- Stay on top of homework and review areas of difficulty.
- Visit State Ed. Sites to familiarize yourselves with the testing format or the CBT interface (links at end of presentation).
- Check in with teachers for updates about areas of weakness.
- READ, READ, READ!
- Practicable Math Skills.
- Regular routines and schedules.
- Positive messaging and states of mind.

On the Day of Testing

- Students arrive at the regular time (8:00 a.m.) and at the same location.
- Testing will begin at approximately 8:40 a.m.
- Students will have as much time as they need if they are actively working.
- Students in Grade 5 will have later than usual lunch (details to follow).
- Remainder of the day will revert to normal school scheduling.
- IEP / 504 Accommodations

Exam Scores

- Multiple Choice responses are scoring electronically on site.
- Written responses are sent to scoring cites around the borough and are scored manually.
- Schools will get pass/fail scores in June.
- Scores are available to families over the summer/following school year.
- Grade 4 Scores may/can be viewed for Middle School Application Process

Frequently Asked Questions...

- Does my child have to take the 2024 NYS Exams?
- Can my child take only one of the exams?
- What happens if my child fails one or both/all exams they take?
- Can my child take the exam at home on the computer?
- My child just arrived in the country and is learning English. Do they have to take the exams?
- How much time will my child have to take the exam?
- What happens if my child is absent on the day of their exam?
- What happens if I choose to have my child NOT take the exams this year?

Resources

- http://www.nysed.gov/
- https://www.nysedregents.org/elementary-intermediate.html
- https://www.schools.nyc.gov/learning/testing
- https://ny.nextera.questarai.com/tds/#practice

Questions & Answers