



DEPUTY COMMISSIONER, P-12 EDUCATION

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To: District Superintendents
Superintendents of Public and Nonpublic Schools
Principals of Public, Nonpublic, and Charter Secondary Schools

From: Ken Slentz, Deputy Commissioner for P-12 

Subject: Department Approved Alternatives to the Regents Examinations in
Geometry and/or Algebra 2/Trigonometry

This memo is to inform you of the Department-approved alternatives that can be accepted in lieu of the Regents Examinations in Geometry and/or Algebra 2/Trigonometry. The exam scores listed below are the minimum acceptable scores that can be substituted for a Regents Exam score of 65 for a student who has completed the course of study for Geometry and/or Algebra 2/Trigonometry.

Geometry and/or Algebra 2/Trigonometry

<i>Alternative Examination</i>	<i>Minimum Acceptable Score</i>
AP Calculus AB Examination *	3
AP Calculus BC Examination *	3
SAT Subject Test in Mathematics Level 2 *	550

*For additional information on the Advanced Placement or SAT exams, go to <http://www.collegeboard.org/>.

Additional information on the use of Department-approved alternatives is available in the School Administrator's Manual, Secondary Level Examinations, 2012 Edition (<http://www.p12.nysed.gov/apda/sam/secondary/home.html>). A list of all of the other assessments which have been approved for use in lieu of Regents Exams is available on the Department's web site at <http://www.p12.nysed.gov/apda/hsgen/archive/list.pdf>. If you have any questions on the use of Department-approved alternatives, please contact the Office of Assessment Policy, Development and Administration via e-mail at emscassessinfo@mail.nysed.gov.

We appreciate all that you do on behalf of the students of New York State.