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TO: District Superintendents
Superintendents of Public and Nonpublic Schools
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SUBJECT: A Change in the Make-up Dates for the 2010 New York State English as a Second Language Achievement Test (NYSESLAT)

It has come to the Department's attention that some schools will be closed for some school days or will have lessened attendance during the week of May 17 – May 21 due to the observance of the Jewish holiday, Shavuot. In order to give those schools an opportunity to administer the Listening, Reading, and Writing subtests of the NYSESLAT to all of their English language learners, the Department is extending the make-up dates for administration to Thursday, May 27, 2010.

However, the final date to submit answer sheets for NYSESLAT to the scanning center will continue to be Thursday, June 3, 2010. Please also note that school personnel are not permitted to open and review the scoring materials for the Writing subtest until the primary administration of this subtest has been completed in the school.

The complete schedule for the administration and scoring of these tests is available on the Department web site at: <http://emsc.nysed.gov/osa/sched.html>. Thank you for your efforts in arranging for the administration and scoring of the New York State English as a Second Language Achievement Test.