

Timeline & History of New York State Assessments

Year	Event
1865	First administration of Regents Exams as high school entrance exams
1878	First administration of Regents Exams as high school end-of-course exams
1966	First administration of the Grades 3, 6, and 9 Pupil Evaluation Program (PEP) Tests in Reading and Mathematics
1979	First administration of Regents Competency Tests (RCT)
1983	First administration of the Grade 5 Writing Test
1989	First administration of the Program Evaluation Test (PET) in Science, Grade 4
1999	First administration of the Grade 4 and Grade 8 Tests in ELA and Math
2000	First administration of the New York State Alternate Assessment (NYSAA)
2001	First administration of the Grade 8 Intermediate-Level Science Test
2002	No Child Left Behind Act goes into effect
2003	First administration of the New York State English as a Second Language Achievement Test (NYSESLAT)
2004	First administration of the Grade 4 Elementary-Level Science Test
2006	First administration of the Grades 3–8 Tests in ELA and Math
2013	First administration of the Grades 3–8 Tests in ELA and Math aligned to Common Core
2014	First administration of Regents Exams in ELA (Common Core) and Algebra I (Common Core)
2015	First administration of Regents Exam in Geometry (Common Core)
	If adopted, first administration of PARCC tests
2016	First administration of Regents Exam in Algebra II (Common Core)