

MARYLAND STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION
Student Testing Calendar School Years 2007-2008 through 2011-2012

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The Student Testing Calendar for the school years 2007-2008 through 2011-2012 includes the following Maryland State assessments:

High School Assessments (HSA)

- End-of-course Tests: English*, Algebra/Data Analysis*, Government, and Biology*

Maryland School Assessment (MSA)

- Grades 3 – 8 in reading and mathematics
- End-of-course tests in English*, Algebra/Data Analysis*, and Biology
- Grades 5 and 8 in science

Alternate Maryland School Assessment (Alt-MSA)

- Grades 3 – 8 and grade 10 in reading and mathematics, and grades 5, 8, and 10 in science for students with significant cognitive disabilities who are unable to participate in the Maryland School Assessment, even with accommodations.

English Language Proficiency Test (ELPT)

- Test of English Language Proficiency (LAS-Links [Language Assessment System]) administered to all English Language Learners

| Statewide Primary Test Administrations Are Not Scheduled on These Religious Holidays** | | | | | |
|---|------------------|-----------------------|------------------|-------------------|------------------|
| Holiday | 2007-2008 | 2008-2009 | 2009-2010 | 2010-2011 | 2011-2012 |
| Rosh Hashanah | Sept. 13, 2007 | Sept. 30–Oct. 1, 2008 | Sept. 18, 2009 | Sept. 8–9, 2010 | Sept. 29, 2011 |
| Yom Kippur | Sept. 22, 2007 | Oct. 9, 2008 | Sept. 28, 2009 | Sept. 18, 2010 | Oct. 8, 2011 |
| Ramadan*** | Sept. 13, 2007 | Sept. 2, 2008 | Aug. 22, 2009 | Aug. 11, 2010 | Aug. 1, 2011 |
| Eid Al-Fitr*** | Oct. 12-13, 2007 | Oct. 2, 2008 | Sept. 21, 2009 | Sept. 10, 2010 | Aug. 31, 2011 |
| Eid Al-Adha*** | Dec. 20, 2007 | Dec. 9, 2008 | Nov. 28, 2009 | Nov. 17, 2010 | Nov. 7, 2011 |
| Passover | April 21, 2008 | April 9–10, 2009 | Mar. 30–31, 2010 | April 19–20, 2011 | April 7, 2012 |
| Good Friday - Western | March 21, 2008 | April 10, 2009 | April 2, 2010 | April 22, 2011 | April 6, 2012 |
| Good Friday - Orthodox | April 25, 2008 | April 17, 2009 | April 2, 2010 | April 22, 2011 | April 13, 2012 |
| Shavuot | (June 9, 2008) | May 29, 2009 | May 19, 2010 | (June 8, 2011) | May 27, 2012 |

* The end-of-course tests in English, Algebra/Data Analysis, and Biology are part of **both** the High School Assessment program **and** the Maryland School Assessment Education accountability program.

** Make-up test administrations may be scheduled on religious holidays, as long as another make-up testing date is available for students who were unable to test due to a religious observance.

*** Actual dates may differ locally as determined by authoritative religious leaders. Students who observe holidays and miss school on the alternative holiday dates should be allowed to use local make-up dates.

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| HSA: Window for submission of Pretest files for October administration | Aug. 07 – Sept. 06 | TBD | TBD | TBD | TBD |
| Alt-MSA: Opening of Test Administration Window | Sept. 4 | Sept. 2 | Sept. 1 | Sept. 1 | Sept. 1 |
| Local Accountability Coordination Meeting | Sept. 11 | Sept. 16 | Sept. 15 | Sept. 14 | Sept. 13 |
| HSA October Administration: High School Assessments Note: October HSA has <u>one make-up day</u> for all contents | Oct. 8–15 10/08—Alg/DA 10/09—English 10/10—Gov't 10/11—Biology 10/15— Make-up of all contents | Oct. 6–14 10/06—Alg/DA 10/07— Gov't 10/08—English 10/10—Biology 10/14— Make-up of all contents | Oct. 5–12 10/05—Biology 10/06—Alg/DA 10/07—Gov't 10/08—English 10/12— Make-up of all contents | Oct. 4–12 10/04—English 10/05—Biology 10/06—Alg/DA 10/07—Gov't 10/12— Make-up of all contents | Oct. 3–10 10/03—Gov't 10/04—English 10/05—Biology 10/06—Alg/DA 10/10— Make-up of all contents |
| HSA: Posttest file due to MSDE from October Administration | Oct. 21 | October 20 | Oct. 19 | October 19 | October 17 |
| Local Accountability Coordination Meeting | Oct. 30 | Oct. 28 | Nov. 3 | Nov. 2 | Nov. 1 |
| HSA: Special Orders for Large Print, Braille, and Kurzweil materials requests for January administration due to MSDE | Nov. 8 | Nov. 13 | Nov. 12 | Nov. 11 | Nov. 10 |
| HSA: Deadline for submission of Pretest files for January administration | Nov. 9 | Nov. 14 | Nov. 13 | Nov. 12 | Nov. 10 |
| MSA: Window for initial submission of Pretest files for Maryland School Assessment (reading and mathematics); window for submission of Large Print, Braille, and Kurzweil materials requests. | Jan. 7 – Feb. 13 | | | | |
| Alt-MSA: Window for initial submission of Pretest files for Alt- MSA; window for submission of Large Print, Braille, and Kurzweil materials requests. | Jan. 7 – Feb. 27 | TBD | TBD | TBD | TBD |
| MSA/Science: Window for initial submission of Pretest files for Maryland School Assessment (science); window for submission of Large Print, Braille, and Kurzweil materials requests. | Jan. 7 – Mar. 6 | TBD | TBD | TBD | TBD |
| Local Accountability Coordination Meeting | Jan. 15 | Jan. 6 | Jan. 7 | Jan. 6 | Jan. 10 |
| HSA January Administration: High School Assessments | Jan. 7–11 1/07—Gov't. 1/08—English 1/09—Biology 1/11—Alg./DA | Jan. 12–15 1/12—Alg./DA 1/13—Gov't. 1/14—English 1/15—Biology | Jan. 11–14 1/11—Biology 1/12—Alg./DA 1/13—Gov't. 1/14—English | Jan. 10–13 1/10—English 1/11—Biology 1/12—Alg./DA 1/13—Gov't. | Jan. 9–12 1/09—Gov't. 1/10—English 1/11—Biology 1/12—Alg./DA |

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| HSA January Make-up Testing: High School Assessments Note: January HSA has one Make-up week only | Jan. 14–17 1/14—Gov't. 1/15—English 1/16—Biology 1/17—Alg./DA | Jan 20–23 1/20—Alg./DA 1/21—Gov't. 1/22—English 1/23—Biology | Jan 19–22 1/19—Biology 1/20—Alg./DA 1/21—Gov't. 1/22—English | Jan. 18–21 1/18—English 1/19—Biology 1/20—Alg/DA. 1/21—Gov't. | Jan. 17–20 1/17—Gov't. 1/18—English 1/19—Biology 1/20—Alg./DA |
| HSA: Post-test file due to MSDE from January Administration | Jan. 24 | Feb. 6 | Feb. 4 | Feb. 3 | Feb. 2 |
| Local Accountability Coordination Meeting Test Administration Training – MSA/Science | Feb. 26 | March 3 | March 2 | March 1 | Mar. 6 |
| MSA Reading and Mathematics Test Administration: Grades 3 – 8 in reading and mathematics | *April 1 – April 10 | March 16 – March 25 | March 9 – March 18 | March 14 – March 23 | March 12 – March 21 |
| Alt-MSA: Last date for Portfolio Construction | April 3 | March 18 | March 11 | March 16 | March 14 |
| HSA: Deadline for submission of Pretest files for April Special Senior administration | N/A | TBD | TBD | TBD | TBD |
| HSA: Special Orders for May administration due to MSDE (Large Print, Braille, Kurzweil) | March 20 | March 19 | March 18 | March 17 | March 16 |
| HSA: Deadline for submission of Pretest files for May testing | March 21 | March 20 | March 19 | March 18 | March 17 |
| MSA Reading and Mathematics Make-up Testing | *April 11 – April 16 | March 26– March 31 | March 22 – March 25 | March 24 – March 29 | March 23 – March 28 |
| ELPT Administration Window | April 21 – May 16 | April 1 – April 30 | March 29 – April 26 | March 30 – April 29 | March 29 – April 27 |
| MSA and Alt-MSA: Deadline for LACs to submit Post-test files for MSA & Alt-MSA | April 22 | April 6 | March 30 | April 4 | April 2 |
| Local Accountability Coordination Meeting | March 18 | April 8 | April 8 | April 5 | April 3 |
| HSA Special Senior Administration: High School Assessments Note: Special Senior HSA has one make-up day for all contents | N/A | Apr. 20–24 04/20—Alg/DA 04/21— Gov't 04/22—English 04/23—Biology 04/24— Make-up of all contents | Apr. 12–16 04/12—Biology 04/13—Alg/DA 04/14—Gov't 04/15—English 04/16— Make-up of all contents | Apr. 4–8 04/04—English 04/05—Biology 04/06—Alg/DA 04/07—Gov't 04/08— Make-up of all contents | Apr. 16–20 04/16—Gov't 04/17—English 04/18—Biology 04/19—Alg/DA 04/20— Make-up of all contents |

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| HSA: Post-test file due to MSDE from Special Senior Administration | N/A | April 30 | April 23 | April 15 | April |
| MSA Science Test Administration: Science testing in Grades 5 and 8 | April 23 – May 13 | April 22 – May 12 | April 21 – May 11 | April 4 – April 15 | April 2 – April 13 |
| HSA May Administration: High School Assessments | May 19–22 | May 18–21 | May 17–18 & May 20–21 | May 16–19 | May 14–17 |
| | 5/19—Gov't. 5/20—English 5/21—Biology 5/22—Alg./DA | 5/18—Alg./DA 5/19—Gov't. 5/20—English 5/21—Biology | 5/17—Biology 5/18—Alg./DA 5/20—Gov't. 5/21—English | 5/16—English 5/17—Biology 5/18—Alg./DA 5/19—Gov't. | 5/14—Gov't. 5/15—English 5/16—Biology 5/17—Alg./DA |

* Note: Due to the dates of various religious holidays in the spring of 2008, MSA testing in the 2007-2008 school year falls in April rather than in March. The regular March MSA testing schedule resumes again in the 2008-2009 school year.

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| HSA May Make-up Testing: High School Assessments | May 27–30 & June 2–5 | May 26–29 & June 2–5 | May 24–27 & June 1–4 | May 23–26 & May 31 – June 3 | May 21–24 & May 29 – June 1 |
| Note: May HSA has two Make-up weeks | 5/27—Gov't. 5/28—English 5/29—Biology 5/30—Alg./DA 6/02—Gov't. 6/03—English 6/04—Biology 6/05—Alg./DA | 5/26—Alg./DA 5/27—Gov't. 5/28—English 5/29—Biology 6/02—Alg./DA 6/03—Gov't. 6/04—English 6/05—Biology | 5/24—Biology 5/25—Alg./DA 5/26—Gov't. 5/27—English 6/01—Biology 6/02—Alg./DA 6/03—Gov't. 6/04—English | 5/23—English 5/24—Biology 5/25—Alg./DA 5/26—Gov't. 5/31—English 6/01—Biology 6/02—Alg./DA 6/03—Gov't. | 5/21—Gov't. 5/22—English 5/23—Biology 5/24—Alg./DA 5/29—Gov't. 5/30—English 5/31—Biology 6/01—Alg./DA |

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| Local Accountability Coordination Meeting (This full-day meeting includes training for Alt-MSA Administration for next testing year for LACs and Alt-MSA Facilitators) | June 10 | June 9 | June 8 | June 7 | June 5 |
| HSA: Post-test file due to MSDE from May Administration | June 12 | June 11 | June 11 | June 10 | June 8 |
| HSA: Deadline for submission of Pretest file for summer administration | July 7 | July 6 | July 6 | July 5 | July 5 |
| HSA: Special Orders for summer administration due to MSDE (Large Print, Braille, Kurzweil) | July 7 | July 6 | July 6 | July 5 | July 5 |
| HSA Summer Administration: High School Assessments | July 28 – August 1 | July 27 – 31 | July 26 – 30 | July 25 – 29 | July 23 – 27 |
| First Testing Week Note: First Summer HSA week has one make-up day for all contents | 7/28— Gov't. 7/29—English 7/30— Biology 7/31— Alg./DA 8/01—Make-up of all contents | 7/27—Alg./DA 7/28— Gov't. 7/29— English 7/30—Biology 7/31—Make-up of all contents | 7/26— Biology 7/27— Alg./DA 7/28—Gov't. 7/29— English 7/30—Make-up of all contents | 7/25— English 7/26— Biology 7/27— Alg./DA 7/28— Gov't. 7/29—Make-up of all contents | 7/23— Gov't. 7/24—English 7/25— Biology 7/26— Alg./DA 7/27—Make-up of all contents |
| HSA Summer Administration: High School Assessments | August 4–8 | August 3–7 | August 2–6 | August 1–5 | July 30 – August 3 |
| Second Testing Week Note: Second Summer HSA week has one make-up day for all contents | 8/04— Gov't. 8/05—English 8/06— Biology 8/07— Alg./DA 8/08—Make-up of all contents | 8/03—Alg./DA 8/04— Gov't. 8/05— English 8/06—Biology 8/07—Make-up of all contents | 8/02— Biology 8/03— Alg./DA 8/04—Gov't. 8/05— English 8/06—Make-up of all contents | 8/01— English 8/02— Biology 8/03— Alg./DA 8/04— Gov't. 8/05—Make-up of all contents | 7/30— Gov't. 7/31—English 8/01— Biology 8/02— Alg./DA 8/03—Make-up of all contents |
| HSA: Post-test file due to MSDE from Summer Administration | August 18 | August 17 | August 16 | August 15 | August 13 |

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Maryland Functional Testing Program Dates

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| ‡CAT Test Window: Test Window for Computer Adaptive Testing for FALL Administration | Oct. 10 – Nov. 9 |
| ‡MFT Test Administration Window: FALL - reading and mathematics | Oct. 10 – 26 |
| ‡MWT Test Administration: WINTER - Narrative – Topic # 1 | Nov. 28 |
| ‡MWT Test Administration: WINTER - Explanatory – Topic #2 | Nov. 29 |
| ‡MWT Make-up Testing: WINTER | Nov. 30 – Dec. 6 |
| ‡CAT Test Window: WINTER Administration | Jan. 28 – Feb. 22 |
| ‡CAT Test Window: SPRING Administration | April 1 - 30 |
| ‡MFT Test Administration Window: SPRING - reading and mathematics | April 1 - 30 |
| ‡MWT Test Administration: SPECIAL SENIOR - Narrative – Topic # 1 | April 7 |
| ‡MWT Test Administration: SPECIAL SENIOR - Explanatory – Topic # 2 | April 8 |
| ‡MWT Make-up Testing: SPECIAL SENIOR | April 9 – 11 |
| ‡CAT Test Window: MAY/JUNE | May 19 – June 6 |
| ‡MFT: SENIOR RETEST Administration Request Form due to MSDE | May 20 |
| ‡MFT Test Administration Window: SENIOR RETEST reading and mathematics | May 21 – 23 |
| ‡MFT Test Administration Window: SUMMER - reading and mathematics | July 1 – 31 |
| ‡CAT Test Window: Test Window for Computer Adaptive Testing for SUMMER Administration | July 1 – 31 |
| ‡MWT Test Administration: SUMMER - Narrative – Topic #1 | July 15 |
| ‡MWT Test Administration: SUMMER - Explanatory – Topic #2 | July 16 |
| ‡MWT Make-up Testing: SUMMER | July 17 – 18 |

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