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Title	2014-2015 Testing Calendar
Memo Number	LS-14-063
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Attention	Co-op Directors; Elementary Principals; Middle School Principals; High School Principals; Superintendents; District Test Coordinators
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Memo Text	<p>The tentative testing calendar for the 2014-2015 school year has been established. This calendar includes windows for the first operational Partnership for Assessment for Readiness for College and Careers (PARCC) Mathematics and English Language Arts (ELA)/Literacy assessments. Because the PARCC assessments include two components, a performance-based assessment to be administered at approximately 75% of the instructional year and an end-of-year assessment at approximately 90% of the instructional year, two separate windows are listed below. School districts will select test administration dates within each window. Refer to the attachment for a calendar of the PARCC windows. School districts on a four-by-four block must contact the Office of Student Assessment for unique fall and spring PARCC windows.</p> <p>Students with the most significant cognitive disabilities will participate in the National Center and State Collaborative (NCSC) online assessments in math and ELA at grades 3-8</p>

and 11 during a window to be announced.

August 18 – September 19, 2014: Window for Kindergarten Screener

January 20-21, 2015: Mid-Year End-of-Course Biology Exam (Tuesday - Wednesday)

March 9 – April 10, 2015 (4 weeks*): Window for PARCC Performance-based Assessments

- Grades 3 – 8 Math and ELA/Literacy
- Grades 9 – 11 ELA/Literacy
- Algebra I End-of-Course
- Geometry End-of-Course
- Algebra II End-of-Course

March 16 – May 1, 2015: Window for English Language Development Assessment (ELDA) for LEP students K-12

March 20, 2015: Science Alternate Portfolio, grades 5, 7 & 10 due date (Friday)

April 6 – April 17, 2015: Window for Iowa Tests, grades 1 & 2 (NRT)

April 14 – 15, 2015: Benchmark Science Exam, grades 5 & 7 (Tuesday - Wednesday)

April 27 - May 22, 2015 (4 weeks): Window for PARCC End-of-Year Assessments

- Grades 3-8 Math and ELA/Literacy
- Grades 9-11 ELA/Literacy
- Algebra I End-of-Course
- Geometry End-of-Course
- Algebra II End-of-Course

April 28 – 29, 2015 – End-of-Course Biology Exam (Tuesday - Wednesday)

* The Uniform Spring Break is the week of March 23-27.

Attachments

2015 PARCC Windows.xls

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2015 REGULAR SPRING PARCC ADMINISTRATION WINDOWS

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	
	2	3	4	5	6	
March 2015	9	10	11	12	13	PBA
	16	17	18	19	20	
	23	24	25	26	27	Spring Break
	30	31	1	2	3	
April 2015	6	7	8	9	10	
	13	14	15	16	17	
	20	21	22	23	24	
	27	28	29	30	1	EOY
	4	5	6	7	8	
May 2015	11	12	13	14	15	
	18	19	20	21	22	
	25	26	27	28	29	

PBA: Performance Based Assessment

EOY: End-of-Year Assessment