

**MARYLAND STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**  
**Student Testing Calendar School Years 2008-2009 through 2012-2013**

Official as of October 14, 2008

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The Student Testing Calendar for the school years 2008-2009 through 2012-2013 includes the following Maryland State assessments:

**High School Assessments (HSA)**

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

**Modified High School Assessments (Mod-HSA)**

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

**Modified Maryland School Assessment (Mod-MSA)**

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

**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

<b>Statewide Primary Test Administrations Are Not Scheduled on These Religious Holidays**</b>					
<b>Holiday</b>	<b>2008-2009</b>	<b>2009-2010</b>	<b>2010-2011</b>	<b>2011-2012</b>	<b>2012-2013</b>
Rosh Hashanah	Sept. 30–Oct. 1, 2008	Sept. 18, 2009	Sept. 8–9, 2010	Sept. 29, 2011	Sept. 17, 2012
Yom Kippur	Oct. 9, 2008	Sept. 28, 2009	Sept. 18, 2010	Oct. 8, 2011	Oct. 1, 2012
Ramadan***	Sept. 2, 2008	Aug. 22, 2009	Aug. 11, 2010	Aug. 1, 2011	July 21, 2012
Eid Al-Fitr***	Oct. 2, 2008	Sept. 21, 2009	Sept. 10, 2010	Aug. 31, 2011	Aug. 19, 2012
Eid Al-Adha***	Dec. 9, 2008	Nov. 28, 2009	Nov. 17, 2010	Nov. 7, 2011	Oct. 26, 2012
Passover	April 9–10, 2009	Mar. 30–31, 2010	April 19–20, 2011	April 6-7, 2012	March 25-26, 2013
Good Friday - Western	April 10, 2009	April 2, 2010	April 22, 2011	April 6, 2012	March 29, 2013
Good Friday - Orthodox	April 17, 2009	April 2, 2010	April 22, 2011	April 13, 2012	May 3, 2013
Shavuot	May 29, 2009	May 19, 2010	(June 8, 2011)	May 27, 2012	May 15, 2013

\* 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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<b>Alt-MSA:</b> Opening of Test Administration Window	Sept. 2	Sept. 1	Sept. 1	Sept. 1	Sept. 4
<b>Local Accountability Coordination Meeting</b>	Cancelled	Sept. 15	Sept. 14	Sept. 13	Sept. 11
<b>HSA &amp; Mod-HSA October Administration - Paper</b>	Oct. 6–14 ----- 10/06—Alg/DA 10/07—Gov't 10/08—English 10/10—Biology ----- 10/13-14—Make-up of all contents	Oct. 5–13 ----- 10/05—Biology 10/06—Alg/DA 10/07—Gov't 10/08—English ----- 10/12-13— Make-up of all contents	Oct. 4–12 ----- 10/04—English 10/05—Biology 10/06—Alg/DA 10/07—Gov't ----- 10/11-12— Make-up of all contents	Oct. 3–11 ----- 10/03—Gov't 10/04—English 10/05—Biology 10/06—Alg/DA ----- 10/10-11— Make-up of all contents	Oct. 2–9 ----- 10/02—Alg/DA 10/03— Gov't 10/04—English 10/05—Biology ----- 10/8-9— Make-up of all contents
<b>Mod-HSA October Administration- Online</b>	Oct. 6-17	Oct. 5-16	Oct. 4-15	Oct. 3-14	Oct. 2-12
<b>Local Accountability Coordination Meeting</b>	Oct. 28	Nov. 3	Nov. 2	Nov. 1	Oct. 30
<b>Technology Assessment for 7<sup>th</sup> Grade – (Online only, except as required by an IEP)</b> Administered through the division of Instruction's Technology Office. For More info., contact Jayne Moore at 410-767-0382 or Marlene Johnson at 410-767-0447)	Dec. 1 – Jan. 16	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD
<b>MSA and Mod-MSA: Deadline for submission of initial quantities of Large Print, Braille, and Kurzweil materials</b>	Dec. 15	Dec. 14	Dec. 13	Dec. 12	Dec. 17
<b>Local Accountability Coordination Meeting</b>	Jan. 6	Jan. 7	Jan. 6	Jan. 4	Jan. 3
<b>HSA &amp; Mod-HSA January Administration - Paper</b>	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	Jan. 7–10 ----- 1/07—Alg./DA 1/08—Gov't. 1/09—English 1/10—Biology
<b>HSA &amp; Mod-HSA January Make-up Testing - Paper</b> Note: January HSA and Mod-HSA (Paper) has <b>one</b> Make-up week only	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	Jan. 15–18 ----- 1/15—Alg./DA 1/16—Gov't. 1/17—English 1/18—Biology

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<b>Mod-HSA January Administration - Online</b>	Jan. 12-23	Jan. 11-22	Jan. 10-21	Jan. 9-20	Jan. 7-18
<b>Local Accountability Coordination Meeting</b> Test Administration Training – MSA/Science	March 3	March 2	March 1	Mar. 6	Mar. 5
<b>MSA Reading and Mathematics Test Administration:</b> Grades 3 – 8 in reading and mathematics	March 16 – March 25	March 8– March 17	March 14 – March 23	March 12 – March 21	March 11 – March 20
<b>MSA Reading and Mathematics Make-up Testing</b>	March 26– March 31	March 18 – March 23	March 24 – March 29	March 23 – March 28	March 25 – March 29
<b>Mod-MSA Reading and Mathematics Test Administration (Paper)</b>	March 16 – March 20	March 8 – March 12	March 14 – March 23	March 12 – March 21	March 11 – March 20
<b>Mod-MSA Reading and Mathematics Make-up Testing (Paper)</b>	March 23– March 25	March 15 – March 17	March 24 – March 29	March 23 – March 28	March 25 – March 29
<b>Mod-MSA Reading and Mathematics Test Administration (Online)</b>	March 16 – March 31	March 8 – March 23	March 14 – March 29	March 12 – March 28	March 11 – March 29
<b>Alt-MSA: Last date for Portfolio Construction</b>	March 18	March 11	March 16	March 14	March 12
<b>ELPT Administration Window</b>	April 1 – April 30	March 29 – April 26	March 30 – April 29	March 29 – April 27	March 27 – April 26
<b>MSA, Mod-MSA and Alt-MSA: Deadline for LACs to submit Post-test files</b>	April 6	March 30	April 4	April 2	April 4
<b>Local Accountability Coordination Meeting</b>	April 1	April 8	April 5	April 3	April 9
<b>HSA &amp; Mod-HSA Senior Administration - Paper</b>  Note: Special Senior HSA and Mod-HSA has <b>one make-up day</b> for all contents	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	Apr. 15–19  04/15—Gov't 04/16—English 04/17—Biology 04/18—Alg/DA  04/19—Make-up of all contents
<b>Mod-HSA Senior Administration - Online</b>	Apr. 20–24	Apr. 12–16	Apr. 4–8	Apr. 16–20	Apr. 15–19
<b>MSA Science Test Administration – Online and Paper</b> Science testing in Grades 5 and 8	April 22 – May 12	April 21 – May 11	April 4 – April 15	April 2 – April 13	April 1 – April 12
<b>HSA and Mod-MSA May Administration - Paper</b>  <b>High School Assessments</b>	May 18–21  5/18—Biology 5/19—Gov't 5/20—Algebra 5/21—English	May 17–18 & May 20–21  5/17—Biology 5/18—Alg./DA 5/20—Gov't. 5/21—English	May 16–19  5/16—English 5/17—Biology 5/18—Alg./DA 5/19—Gov't.	May 14–17  5/14—Gov't. 5/15—English 5/16—Biology 5/17—Alg./DA	May 20-23  5/20—Alg./DA 5/21—Gov't. 5/22—English 5/23—Biology

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<b>HSA &amp; Mod-HSA May Make-up Testing - Paper</b> Note: May HSA & Mod-HSA (Paper) has <b>two</b> Make-up weeks	May 26–29 & June 1-4	May 24–27 & June 1–4	May 23–26 & May 31 – June 3	May 21–24 & May 29 – June 1	May 28 – 31 & June 3 – 6
	5/26—Biology 5/27—Gov't. 5/28—Algebra 5/29—English  6/01—Biology 6/02—Gov't. 6/03—Algebra 6/04—English	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	5/28—Alg./DA 5/29—Gov't. 5/30—English 5/31—Biology  6/03—Alg./DA 6/04—Gov't. 6/05—English 6/06—Biology
<b>HSA &amp; Mod-HSA May Administration - Online</b>	May 18 – June 4	May 17 – June 4	May 16 – June 3	May 14 – June 1	May 20 – June 6
<b>Local Accountability Coordination Meeting</b> (This full-day meeting includes training for Alt-MSA Administration for next testing year for LACs and Alt-MSA Facilitators)	June 9	June 8	June 7	June 5	June 11
<b>HSA &amp; Mod-HSA Summer Administration - Paper</b> <b>First Testing Week</b> Note: First Summer HSA and Mod-HSA (paper) week has <b>one make-up day</b> for all contents	July 27 – 31 7/27—Alg./DA 7/28— Gov't. 7/29— English 7/30—Biology  7/31—Make-up of all contents	July 26 – 30 7/26—Biology 7/27— Alg./DA 7/28— Gov't 7/29—English  7/30—Make-up of all contents	July 25 – 29 7/25— English 7/26— Biology 7/27— Alg./DA 7/28— Gov't.  7/29—Make-up of all contents	July 23 – 27 7/23— Gov't. 7/24—English 7/25— Biology 7/26— Alg./DA  7/27—Make-up of all contents	July 29 – August 2 7/29—Alg./DA 7/30— Gov't. 7/31— English 8/01—Biology  8/02—Make-up of all contents
	<b>HSA &amp; Mod-HSA Summer Administration - Online</b> <b>First Testing Week</b>	July 27-31	July 26-30	July 25-29	July 23-27
<b>HSA &amp; Mod-HSA Summer Administration - Paper</b> <b>Second Testing Week</b> Note: Second Summer HSA and Mod-HSA (paper) week has <b>one make-up day</b> for all contents	August 3–7 8/03—Alg./DA 8/04— Gov't. 8/05— English 8/06—Biology  8/07—Make-up of all contents	August 2–6 8/02— Biology 8/03— Alg./DA 8/04—Gov't. 8/05— English  8/06—Make-up of all contents	August 1–5 8/01— English 8/02— Biology 8/03— Alg./DA 8/04— Gov't.  8/05—Make-up of all contents	July 30 – August 3 7/30— Gov't. 7/31—English 8/01— Biology 8/02— Alg./DA  8/03—Make-up of all contents	August 5–9 8/05—Alg./DA 8/06— Gov't. 8/07— English 8/08—Biology  8/09—Make-up of all contents
	<b>HSA &amp; Mod-HSA Summer Administration - Online</b> <b>Second Testing Week</b>	August 3–7	August 2–6	August 1–5	July 30 – August 3

