

Significant Dates at a Glance: Provincial Achievement Tests 2023-2024

***NEW** Grade 6 English language arts and literature and mathematics provincial achievement tests will not be administered in the 2023/24 school year. Field testing will be offered for these subjects and schools are encouraged to participate.

Communications

Who	Responsibility	January 2024	May 2024	June 2024
School Authority Staff	Week of Sept. 5, 2023 – Communicate PAT schedules to principals for Jan. and June administrations			
Provincial Achievement Testing Program Branch, Alberta Education	Week of Jan. 29, 2024 – Marker nomination packages sent to school authority assessment contacts			
School Authority Staff	End of April 2024 (Specific dates are communicated in the marker nomination package sent to school authority assessment contacts) – Return marker nominations to Provincial Achievement Testing Branch, Alberta Education			
Principal or Delegate	September 2023 – Notify parents/guardians that their child/children will be writing PATs in this current school year (A Parent guide is available on the Alberta Education website)			
*NEW	Sept 2023 to June 2024 – School staff may enter parent/guardian information and email address to ensure Individual Student Profiles (ISPs) are available through myPass.			
	DEADLINE to submit forms to the Special Cases and Accommodations team: List of Special Format Materials http://surveys.education.gov.ab.ca/novi/n/zz4n2.aspx Application for Accommodations and Unique Accommodations	Nov. 1, 2023	March 1, 2024	
	DEADLINE to fill out the PAT Information Survey to indicate optional new curriculum implementation, request alternate PAT administration dates, and confirm administration of PATs using the new digital platform http://surveys.education.gov.ab.ca/novi/n/PATInformation2023.aspx . Tests written early will be written DIGITALLY.	Nov. 1, 2023	March 1, 2024	
	DEADLINE send list of out-of-cohort students (Programs of Study completed) writing PATs to exam.admin@gov.ab.ca	Nov, 13, 2023	Feb. 9, 2024	
	Time sensitive period: Confirm PAT registrations using PATConfirm	Nov. 9–27, 2023	Nov. 9, 2023–March 1, 2024	

Receiving and administering assessment booklets and supporting materials

Who	Responsibility	January 2024	May 2024	June 2024
Exam Administration Branch, Alberta Education	Send PAT booklets and supporting materials to schools	Jan. 5-8, 2024	April 16-17, 2024	May 21-23, 2024
Principal or Designate	Contact Exam Administration if shipment has not arrived or if errors/omissions are identified	Jan. 12, 2024	April 30, 2024	June 3, 2024
Exam Administration Branch, Alberta Education	Distribute MP3 files to schools	Jan. 3-5, 2024	April 24–26, 2024	June 3-5, 2024
Principal or Designate	Administer PATs Part(ie) As (except Mathematics) in accordance with schedules set by Alberta Education	Jan. 17 and 19, 2024	May 13 and 15, 2024	N/A
Teachers	Teachers may locally mark Part(ie) A English Language Arts (and Literature)/French Language Arts/Français/K&E	Until Jan. 26, 2024	Until May 24, 2024	N/A
Principal or Designate	Administer PATs Part(ie) B Language Arts, Social Studies, Science and Mathematics (Part(ie) A and B) in accordance with schedules set by Alberta Education	Jan. 23-30, 2024	N/A	June 11-20, 2024
Teachers	Teachers locally mark PATs Part(ie) B Language Arts, Social Studies, Science and Mathematics (Part(ie) A and B) to determine preliminary results	Jan. 23-30, 2024	N/A	June 11-20, 2024

Returning provincial assessment booklets and supporting materials

Who	Responsibility	January 2024	May 2024	June 2024
Principal or Designate	RETURN using GREEN LABEL Packing Slip(s) List(s) of Students Principal’s Statement(s) /Additional paperwork Used Writing booklets only* Used answer sheets* *Including coloured paper and large print versions	By Jan. 31, 2024 (All Jan. PATs are secured and must be returned; including English Language Arts (and Literature) Part A)	By May 27, 2024 (Unused English Language Arts (and Literature) Part(ie) A booklets may be kept at the school)	By June 21, 2024
	RETURN using ORANGE LABEL Unused Writing booklets Used and unused Questions, Reading and Source booklets Scoring materials (exemplars, keys, overlays, etc.) Unused student labels, instruction sheets, envelopes, and waybills	By Jan. 31, 2024	By May 27, 2024	By June 21, 2024
School Authority Staff and Principal/Designate	Access and review detailed report for errors/omissions	N/A	Late August 2024	
	DEADLINE for reporting errors/omissions to the Director, Student Learning Assessments and Provincial Achievement Testing	N/A	Early September 2023	
Provincial Assessment	Release detailed reports and Individual Student Profiles	N/A	Late September 2023	