Presentation Overview

• Updates to the:
  − Grade 3 Student Learning Assessment (SLA)
  − Grades 6 & 9 Provincial Achievement Tests (PAT’s)
  − Diploma Exams
  − Accommodations
GRADE 3
STUDENT LEARNING ASSESSMENT (SLA)
SLA 2017-18

• Starting in the 2017/18 school year, SLAs were moved out of pilot stage and are now available to Grade 3 teachers to administer at their discretion.

• SLAs are available for the entire 2017/2018 school year, from August 14, 2017 to June 30, 2018

• SLA results will not be used in the Accountability Pillar.

• Funding to assist with the local marking of SLA performance tasks has been discontinued.
Reports

• 24 hour Turn-around
• Individual Student
• Class
• Superintendent (school authority and school)
Field Testing

• Fall 2017 – SLA Performance Task Field Testing

• Spring 2018 – Digital Question Field Testing
PROVINCIAL ACHIEVEMENT TESTS (PATS)
Administration Window 2017-18

• Starting in the 2017/18 school year, Grade 6 and 9 PATs will be administered to students during a pre-set administration “window” specified by Alberta Education.

• Superintendents will have the flexibility to establish PAT schedules for their respective school authorities, according to local needs within the administration window – including at the individual school level.

• All PATs must be returned in accordance with the return shipment schedule.
Administration Window 2017-18

• January 2018 PATs
  – Grade 9 Part(ie) A Written response - from January 15 to 24, 2018
  – Grade 9 Part(ie) B and Machine Scored PATs – from January 24 to 31, 2018

• June 2018 PATs
  – Grades 6 and 9 Part(ie) A Written response – from May 7 to 11, 2018
  – Grades 6 and 9 Part(ie) B and Machine Scored PATs – from June 11 to 28, 2018
The 2017 Grade 6 Math PAT was strengthened with a number operations component. Both components are completed on the same day.

- Aligns with K-9 Math Program of Studies clarifications

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- Part A sample questions: [https://education.alberta.ca/media/3273137/01-math6-pat-a-samplequestions.pdf](https://education.alberta.ca/media/3273137/01-math6-pat-a-samplequestions.pdf)

Grade 9 Mathematics PAT

- The 2018 Grade 9 Math PAT will be strengthened by integrating a non-calculator portion. Both components are completed on the same day.

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- Math 9 Subject Bulletin (including Part A & Part B sample questions) at

General Information Bulletins (GIB)
Accommodations

• Starting in the 2017-2018 school year, all students are eligible for accommodations and provisions to write Provincial Achievement Tests and Diploma Exams without an application process.

• Accommodations are reviewed, managed, and ordered by school personnel.

• Students may use accommodations, for example audio, if they use it for their classroom assessments

• Some accommodations, like audio, must be requested by the deadline date in the GIB

• All students are eligible for double time, if needed, and do not have to declare their intent before the provincial assessment
Each provincial assessment has a time survey question.
Alberta Education will use the data to monitor how many students are using extra time to complete their provincial assessments.
This survey question will not be used to calculate students’ marks.
Diploma Exams
Diploma Exam Schedule - NEW

• **Scheduling 2 Exams/Day**
  – Starting in 2017/2018, on days where there are 2 diploma exams scheduled, principals may start the administration of the diploma early.
    • Morning Exams: Students may not leave the exam room until **10 am**. No students may start writing after 10 am
    • Afternoon Exams: Students may not leave the exam room until **2 pm**. No students may start writing after 2 pm
    • The order of the exams cannot be changed

• **Math 30-2 and Science 30 April Administration**
  – These exams are in paper format, not hybrid
Preparing for Written Response in Math 30-1 and Math 30-2 Diploma Exams

• First Math diploma exams with written response integrated
  – Math 30-1: November 2018
  – Math 30-2: January 2019
• Same time footprint: 3 hours total
• Students must show their work to get full credit.
• What’s been done to date?
  – January 2017 Proof of Concept
  – Spring Consultations on Design and Blueprint
    • Teachers
    • Curriculum
New Field Test Opportunities for Math in 2017 – 2018

• Paper year-end field tests that include machine-scored and written-response questions

• Requests for all paper field tests must be submitted by November 3, 2017

• Once scheduling is complete, teachers will receive a follow-up email with relevant details, and a field test supervisor from Alberta Education will confirm the administrative details.
Other Related Information

• **Mathematics 10 - 12 Diploma Exam Info**
  • Q & A
  • Coming in November
    – Sample written-response questions & scoring guide
    – *Mathematics Directing Words*

• Spring 2018
  – Information sessions through the regional consortia
Field Tests – Other Subjects

• PATs & Science – digital and hybrid
• Humanities – paper and hybrid
• Hybrids:
  – Paper copies are mailed to the school and must be kept secure at all times.
  – Only the teacher who requested the field test is to peruse it.
  – Teachers receive the detailed report on how their students did
Field Testing

• Teachers must submit a request for a field test by the deadline through

  • an online request system:
    http://public.education.alberta.ca/FieldTestScheduler

  or by using a paper-based form:


Nominating Teachers for Diploma Exam Marking and Math Field Test Marking

• **NEW**: Instead of nominating through ProMIS, a spreadsheet will be used for nominations
• Draft Marking Schedules for January and June
  https://education.alberta.ca/media/3653376/schedules-significant-dates.pdf
• Detailed information for teachers selected to mark is found in the Teacher Involvement in Provincial Assessment Guide
Extranet Changes

• Extranet menus and applications launching are now integrated within Alberta Education’s main website

• The website allows users to sign in and presents users with their Extranet applications

• This change does not require any changes to existing Extranet profiles
Extranet Changes
Stakeholder File eXchange

• PAT Results and Diploma Exam Results web applications have been enhanced and leverage a new service called “Stakeholder File eXchange”

• A new interface makes the downloading of files more intuitive and quicker

• These apps now provide five years of archived PAT and diploma exams results
Stakeholder File Exchange

The files available to you from this site are restricted by your extranet permissions and the school or school authority you work for.

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