

Students

SUBJECT: PHASING OUT OF REGENTS COMPETENCY TESTS

The Board of Education endorses the use of assessment standards and examinations as a means to gauge student competency levels. In accordance with Commissioner's Regulations, the following requirements will be implemented for satisfactory completion of either a Regents endorsed diploma or a local diploma during the phase out of Regents Competency Tests.

English

Students who first enter grade nine in or after September 1996 and prior to September 2000 must pass the Regents Comprehensive Examination in English. For purposes of a Regents endorsed diploma a score of 65 shall be considered passing. For a local diploma a score of 55 (in a range of 55-64), as determined by the school, also will be considered passing.

Students who first enter grade nine in September 2000 or thereafter must achieve a score of 65 or above on the Regents Comprehensive Examination in English.

Mathematics

Students who first enter grade nine in or after September 1997 and prior to September 2001 must pass a Regents examination in mathematics. For purposes of a Regents endorsed diploma a score of 65 shall be considered passing. For a local diploma a score of 55 (in a range of 55-64), as determined by the school, also will be considered passing.

Students who first enter grade nine in September 2001 or thereafter must achieve a score of 65 or above on a Regents examination in mathematics.

United States History and Government

Students who first enter grade nine in or after September 1998 and prior to September 2000 must pass the Regents examination in United States history and government. For purposes of a Regents endorsed diploma a score of 65 shall be considered passing. For a local diploma a score of 55 (in a range of 55-64), as determined by the school, also will be considered passing.

Students who first enter grade nine in September 2000 or thereafter must achieve a score of 65 or above on the Regents examination in United States history and government.

Global Studies

Students who first enter grade nine in or after September 1998 and prior to September 2000 must pass the Regents examination in global studies. For purposes of a Regents endorsed diploma a score of 65 shall be considered passing. For a local diploma a score of 55 (in a range of 55-64), as determined by the school, also will be considered passing.

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Students who first enter grade nine in September 2000 or thereafter must achieve a score of 65 or above on the global studies Regents examination.

Science

Students who first enter grade nine in or after September 2000 and prior to September 2001 must pass the Regents examination in science. For purposes of a Regents endorsed diploma a score of 65 shall be considered passing. For a local diploma a score of 55 (in a range of 55-64), as determined by the school, also will be considered passing.

Students who first enter grade nine in September 2001 or thereafter must achieve a score of 65 or above on a Regents examination in Science.

Alternative Assessment Formats

Alternative assessment formats and/or variances from Regents examinations may be utilized for students in accordance with Commissioner's Regulations and State Education Department guidelines.

The Committee on Special Education (CSE) will decide when and which alternate performance indicators apply to a student with a severe disability and whether a student with a severe disability requires an alternate assessment. In all instances, the CSE should make determinations based on individual student abilities and needs, and evaluative information concerning the student.

New York Code of Rules and Regulations
(NYCRR) Section 100.5

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