

Pathway 6: Assessments

130.3.(a)(6) Nonpublic school that uses **assessments approved by the New York State Education Department** for purposes of demonstrating compliance with the requirements of this Part. Such assessments shall demonstrate:

- *student academic progress as they move from grade to grade,*
- *be regularly used by the nonpublic school as part of its instructional program, and*
- *have a student participation rate which is equal or greater to the three-year state-wide average State assessment public school participation rate.*

[Please refer to the Substantial Equivalency Implementation Guidance for more details.](#)

Notes:

- (1) Per page 16 of the SE Guidance, only summative/cumulative assessments will be acceptable for demonstrating compliance with pathway 6. While other types of assessments do have value, diagnostic, interim, and formative assessments are not applicable for the assessment pathway. Such assessments may be considered within the context of using Pathway 7, the traditional LSA review.
- (2) Only assessments that are either *under review* or *approved* by the Department will be posted on the website. An assessment may be reconsidered for purposes of Part 130.3(a)(6) in the future. To do so, a new, completed application demonstrating compliance with all criteria for approval will need to be submitted. If you have a question about a specific assessment, please contact SEsupport@nysed.gov.

Name of Assessment	Subject Area(s)	Grade Levels	Recommendation Status	Date Posted
ERB Comprehensive Testing Program	ELA, Math, & Science	Grades 1-11	Approved	12/21/2023
Iowa Assessment	ELA, Math, Science, & Social Studies	Grades K-12	Approved	12/21/2023
NYS Alternative Assessment (NYSAA) (eligibility and participation as determined by the CSE)	ELA, Math, & Science	English & Math: Grades 3-8 & once in High School Science: Grades 5 & 8 and once in High School	Approved	10/4/2024
NYS Elementary-level Science Test (Grade 5)	Science	Grade 5	Approved	12/21/2023
NYS English as a Second Language Achievement Test (NYSELAT)	English Proficiency	Grades K-12	Approved	12/21/2023
NYS Grades 3-8 English Language Arts & Mathematics Test	ELA & Math	Grades 3-8	Approved	12/21/2023
NYS Intermediate-level Science Test (Grade 8)	Science	Grade 8	Approved	12/21/2023
NYS Regents Exams	ELA, Math, Science, & Social Studies	Grades 9-12, & Grade 8 if advanced	Approved	12/21/2023
Pre-ACT and ACT (both must be administered at the applicable grade level)	ACT: ELA, Math, & Science	Grades 10-12	Approved	12/21/2023
PSAT and SAT (both must be administered at the applicable grade level)	PSAT & SAT: ELA & Math	PSAT Grades 8-10, SAT: Grades 10-12	Approved	12/21/2023
TerraNova 3, Complete Battery; TerraNova 3 Complete Battery Online; and TerraNova 3 Multiple Achievement Tests (formerly known as the California Achievement Test)	ELA, Math, Science, & Social Studies	Grades K-12	Approved	12/21/2023