

Tests Required for New York State Teaching Certification

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Candidates Seeking Initial Certification After February 2, 2004:

The New York State Teacher Certification Examination Series (NYSTCE) must be completed and includes the Liberal Arts and Sciences Test (LAST), the Assessment of Teaching Skills-Written (ATS-W) and the Content Specialty Test (CST).

- If you are seeking **Childhood Education (Grades 1-6)** or **Early Childhood Education (Birth to Grade 2)**, you must take the LAST, ATS-W (*elementary* version) and Multi-Subject CST (Early Childhood, Childhood & Middle Childhood).
- If you are seeking **Childhood Education with Special Education (Grades 1-6)**, you must take the LAST, ATS-W (*elementary* version), and two Content Specialty Tests -- Students with Disabilities CST as well as the Multi-Subject CST.
- If you are seeking **Adolescent Education (Grades 7-12)**, you must take the LAST, ATS-W (*secondary* version) and a CST in your subject area:

English Language Arts
Biology
Physics

Mathematics
Chemistry
French

Social Studies
Earth Science
Spanish

- If you are seeking **Speech and Language Disabilities (Grades N-12)**, you must take the LAST and ATS-W (*elementary* version, recommended by the Department of Communicative Disorders and Sciences).

Candidates Seeking Professional Certification After February 2, 2004:

No additional examinations are required with one exception. Candidates for professional certification in Speech and Hearing Disabilities will need to successfully pass the PRAXIS Speech/Language Pathology exam. Registration information is available in Career Services and online at <http://www.ets.org/praxis/register>.

Candidates Holding a Provisional Certificate Seeking Permanent Certification:

- A Content Specialty Test (CST) in your teaching field must be completed.

The ATS-P (Assessment of Teaching Skills - Performance) must be submitted and information on the video can be found at <http://www.nystce.nesinc.com/>.

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Additional Information:

- Most candidates complete the LAST in their sophomore or junior year, the ATS-W after completing all education coursework and the CST in their junior or senior year.
- NYSTCE scores are automatically sent to the New York State Department of Education.
- Preparation guides for each test in the NYSTCE program can be viewed or downloaded at no charge at <http://www.nystce.nesinc.com/>.
- Test information is available in Career Services, Blake A 104, but registration is only available online at <http://www.nystce.nesinc.com/>.
- Other states may have different testing requirements. A list of State Education Departments is available in the AAEE Job Search Handbook for Educators in Career Services, Blake A 104.
- For additional information on NYS certification standards, check:
<http://www.highered.nysed.gov/tcert/>

Registration Schedule for 2008-2009

The New York State Teacher Certification Examination Bulletins with registration information, additional deadlines and a list of test sites can be online at <http://www.nystce.nesinc.com>.

Test Date (Saturday)	Regular Registration Deadline	Late Registration Deadline
August 23, 2008	July 18, 2008	August 1, 2008
October 18, 2008	September 12, 2008	September 26, 2008
December 13, 2008	November 7, 2008	November 21, 2008
February 21, 2009	January 20, 2009	January 30, 2009
April 4, 2009	February 27, 2009	March 13, 2009
June 13, 2009	May 8, 2009	May 22, 2009
July 25, 2009	June 19, 2009	July 6, 2009

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