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Tests Required for New York State Teaching Certification

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>.

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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 2009-2010

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

Test Date (Saturday)	Regular Registration Deadline	Late Registration Deadline
August 29, 2009	July 24, 2009	August 7, 2009
October 17, 2009	September 11, 2009	September 25, 2009
December 12, 2009	November 6, 2009	November 20, 2009
February 20, 2010	January 19, 2010	January 29, 2010
April 10, 2010	March 5, 2010	March 19, 2010
June 12, 2010	May 7, 2010	May 21, 2010
July 17, 2010	June 11, 2010	June 25, 2010

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