



*January 2021 PATs*

**Note** | A few schools have students who have been accelerated through the grade 9 Programs of Study. These are the students in the CBE who write one or more PATs in January.

Tuesday, January 12	9:00 A.M. – 11:00 A.M.	English Language Arts 9 Part A
Friday, January 15	9:00 A.M. – 11:00 A.M.	French Language Arts 9 Part A
Thursday, January 21	9:00 A.M. – 9:30 A.M.	Mathematics 9 Part A
Friday, January 22	9:00 A.M. – 10:15 A.M.	French Language Arts 9 Part B
Tuesday, January 26	9:00 A.M. – 10:20 A.M.	Mathematics 9 Part B
Wednesday, January 27	9:00 A.M. – 10:15 A.M.	English Language Arts 9 Part B

*May/June 2021 PATs*

Monday, May 10	9:00 A.M. – 11:00 A.M. 9:00 A.M. – 11:00 A.M. 9:00 A.M. – 10:20 A.M.	French Language Arts 6 Part A English Language Arts 9 Part A English Language Arts 9 K&E Part A
Wednesday, May 12	9:00 A.M. – 11:00 A.M. 9:00 A.M. – 11:00 A.M.	French Language Arts 9 Part A English Language Arts 6 Part A
Monday, June 14	9:00 A.M. – 10:00 A.M.	French Language Arts 6 Part B
Tuesday, June 15	9:00 A.M. – 10:00 A.M.	English Language Arts 6 Part B
Wednesday, June 16	9:00 A.M. – 10:15 A.M.	French Language Arts 9 Part B
Friday, June 18	9:00 A.M. – 9:20 A.M. 9:00 A.M. – 9:30 A.M.	Mathematics 6 Part A Mathematics 9 Part A
Monday, June 21	No PATs – National Indigenous Peoples Day	
Tuesday, June 22	9:00 A.M. – 10:10 A.M.	Mathematics 6 Part B
Wednesday, June 23	9:00 A.M. – 10:15 A.M. 9:00 A.M. – 10:15 A.M.	Mathematics 9 Part B Mathematics 9 K&E
Thursday, June 24	9:00 A.M. – 10:15 A.M. 9:00 A.M. – 10:15 A.M.	English Language Arts 9 Part B English Language Arts 9 Part B K&E

**Alberta Ed Requirements**

- For all schools in Alberta, Part A ELA and FLA have the same set dates (identified in **red** on the schedule).
- All other PATs must be administered in a window (identified in **green** on the schedule).
  - January window: Jan. 21 - 29
  - June window: June 14 – 25

**Provincial Achievement testing in the 2020-21 school year will include the following:**

- English Language Arts Part A and Part B for Grades 6 & 9

- K&E English Language Arts Part A and Part B for Grade 9
- French Language Arts Part A and Part B for Grades 6 & 9
- Mathematics Part A and Part B for Grades 6 & 9
- K&E Mathematics for Grade 9

All schools in The Calgary Board of Education will follow this schedule.

**In January 2020, a group of leaders were consulted to provide feedback regarding the Provincial Achievement Test Schedule dates.**

### **Considerations from Previous Years**

- Schedule to allow as much teaching time as possible
- Double the allotted time (impact on bus pick up)
- Variability in which tests come first, mid and last
- Availability of manipulatives (math)
- Availability of technology
- Availability of staff for supervision and accommodations
- Time for marking and return
- Engagement of students to the end of calendar

### **Considerations Voiced During the Creation of This Schedule**

- For January PATs, the group considered the placement of Mathematics most carefully as this is the most commonly administered PAT in the January sitting in the CBE.
- The group noticed an increase in the number of students who are utilizing the extended time that is now offered. This places a burden on the school for supervision and the preference is to avoid scheduling multiple exams on a single day to avoid this issue.
- For June PATs, the strongest voiced consideration was to avoid the burden on resources (staff, technology and manipulatives) when grade 6 and 9 PATs occur on the same day.
- Those with experience teaching and administering math exams felt that beginning with PART A is a good warm-up to PART B and the separation of the weekend benefits students being able to review the concepts they found difficult in PART A before PART B.
- Bussing is a consideration for Friday PATs. It was felt that adding a PAT to the final Friday (June 25) was more favorable than having both a grade 6 and 9 exam on another day. Further when doubling time, the PAT will end by 11:30 a.m. which will not impact bussing.
- The group favored beginning with Mathematics PART A and having Mathematics Part B follow after the weekend providing time for additional review.
- The group expressed a preference to have the first Monday of PATs to prepare and test technology, rather than begin a heavy exam schedule on a Monday (FLA 6 is still placed on the Monday but represents a smaller number of writers to prepare for).
- It was noted by one member in the group that Social Studies which has historically been at the end of a PAT schedule had resulted in lower than expected performance and requested consideration for the exam that was scheduled at the end of the window. The group felt that either Science 9 or Social Studies 9 would fall on the final Friday and chose Science 9 as Social has often been at the end.