

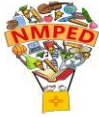
SPRING 2027 NM-MSSA LANGUAGE ARTS AND MATH SUMMATIVE ASSESSMENTS KEY DATES

Paper-Based Testing (PBT) Important Dates

Initial Ordering Window <i>(for NM-MSSA paper materials only)</i>	Monday, November 31, 2026, 7:00 a.m. MT Friday, January 8, 2027, 5:00 p.m. MT
Additional Ordering Window <i>(for NM-MSSA PBT only to meet reporting timeline)</i>	Monday, February 22, 7:00 a.m. MT – April 23, 2026, 5:00 p.m. MT
All PBT Test Materials ordered in the initial ordering window and printed manuals delivered to districts/schools two weeks prior to testing	Friday, February 26, 2027
Paper Testing Administration Window Begins <i>(Same start date for both online and paper testers.)</i>	Monday, March 15, 2027
Paper Testing Administration Window Ends <i>(This window is ending earlier to meet final reporting deadlines. You must finish paper testing no later than this date.)</i>	Friday, April 23, 2027
TRANSCRIBE PAPER TESTERS' RESPONSES INTO ITESTER PLATFORM: <i>If you have not started yet, make sure to complete this before the portal closes on</i>	Friday, April 30 2027 <i>(Be sure to follow instructions for properly transcribing paper responses onto iTester online portal)</i>
NO PAPER TEST MATERIALS RETURN <i>(Because there is no return of paper test materials, there is NO UPS pickup available. Refer to the instructions on how to securely destroy paper test materials after finishing paper testing.)</i>	Must destroy paper materials locally & securely store them <i>(Refer to the specific guidelines for handling MSSA paper testers' responses included in the TAM & TCM)</i>

Computer-Based Testing (CBT) Important Dates

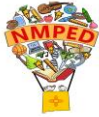
NM-MSSA Test Administrator's Manual (TAM) available online in the Help & Support Page	Monday, February 1, 2027
NM-MSSA Test Coordinator Manual (TCM) available online in the Help & Support Page	Monday, February 1, 2027
NM-MSSA Human Reader Test Administrator Script available online in the Help & Support Page	Monday, February 1, 2027



SPRING 2026 ADMINISTRATION OF NM-MSSA ELA, SLA, MATH SUMMATIVE ASSESSMENTS

Computer-Based Testing (CBT) Important Dates

NM-MSSA Accessibility Features and Accommodations Manual (AFAM) available online in the Help & Support Page	Monday, February 1, 2027
Printed manuals delivered to districts/schools two weeks prior to testing	Friday, February 26, 2027
Additional Ordering Window for MSSA ELA, SLA, MATH Online Testing <i>(for manuals (TCM, TAM) only)</i>	Monday, February 24, 7:00 a.m. MT - Thursday, April 22, 2027, 5:00 p.m. MT
NM-MSSA Practice Tests available in Browser and PBT downloadable files in the Help & Support Page	24/7, all year round
Online Portal is CLOSED for PED loading of additional student Pre-ID data <i>(iTester portal is unavailable during this time)</i>	Friday, January 8, 2027; 9:00 p.m. MT <i>(right after MOY iMSSA testing administration window ends)</i> Wednesday, January 13, 2027, 5:00 p.m. MT
Online Portal REOPENS and Ready for Administrative Work Pre-Online Testing Window <i>(i.e., create/edit/update users, inventory rosters, add students, enroll/unenroll students, assign accommodations, and create classes)</i>	Thursday, January 14, 2027, 7 a.m. MT
Inventory Enrollment Rosters <u>After</u> PED Upload of Additional Students Window OPENS <i>(Reminder: what districts upload will override data already in system)</i>	Thursday, January 14, 2027, 7 a.m. MT
District Enrollment Rosters Inventory/Pre-ID Bulk Upload/Correction Window CLOSES	Friday, March 12, 2027, 5:00 p.m. MT
Manual Online Student Roster Updates/Bulk Upload of Online student Roster CONTINUES <i>(anytime once portal re-opens for district pre-ID bulk upload correction window)</i>	Thursday, January 14 – Friday, April 20, 2027
Online Portal READY for Test Scheduling <i>(one week prior to the start of the summative testing window)</i>	Monday, March 8, 2027, 7 a.m. MT



SPRING 2026 ADMINISTRATION OF NM-MSSA ELA, SLA, MATH SUMMATIVE ASSESSMENTS

Computer-Based Testing (CBT) Important Dates

Online Testing Administration Window BEGINS	Monday, March 15, 2027, 7 a.m. MT
Online Testing Administration Window for Preliminary Reports ENDS <i>(Preliminary reports include all online testers and any paper testers whose responses were transcribed into iTester by the deadline for preliminary reports)</i>	Thursday, April 15, 2027, 9 p.m. MT
Online Testing Administration Window <u>with no Preliminary Reports</u> ENDS <i>(Will receive final reports only)</i>	Friday, April 30, 2027, 9 p.m. MT
Post-Online Testing Administrative Work Window <i>(i.e., inventory roster to make sure every student who tested is accounted for; if anyone had absences, or other situations, assign the correct Test Completion Code for both online and paper testers)</i>	Monday, May 3 – Wednesday, May 5, 2027, 5 p.m. MT
Paper Testers' responses transcribed into Portal No later than	Friday, April 30, 2027, 9 p.m. MT
Online portal closes for NM-MSSA post online admin related tasks	Wednesday, May 5, 2027, 5 p.m. MT
Online portal remains open for EOY iMSSA interim testing	Through Friday, May 21, 2027

Contact Information

General Administration Questions	Policy Questions
Cognia New Mexico Client Care Center / Help Desk *Telephone: 1-877-676-6722 *Email: nmtechsupport@cognia.org	New Mexico Public Education Department (PED) Assessment Bureau Helpdesk *Email: ped.assessment@ped.nm.gov

****The PED should only be contacted by the DTC. Test administrators (TAs) should contact their School Test Coordinator (STC) or DTC with any questions or concerns.**