

Appendix 1: Significant Dates at a Glance Provincial Achievement Tests 2026–2027

Communications

Who	Responsibility	January 2027	June 2027
School authority staff	Fall 2026: Communicate PAT schedules to principals for January and June administrations.		
Provincial Achievement Testing Program Branch, Alberta Education and Childcare	End of February 2027: Marker nomination packages sent to school authority assessment contacts.		
School authority staff	End of April 2027 (Specific dates are communicated in the marker nomination package sent to school authority assessment contacts.): Return marker nominations to Provincial Achievement Testing Branch, Alberta Education and Childcare.		
Principal or delegate	September 2026: Notify parents/guardians that their child/children will be writing PATs in this current school year. (A <i>Quick Facts for Parents/Guardians</i> is available on the Provincial Achievement Tests website.)		
	September 2026 to June 2027: School staff may enter parent/guardian information and email address to ensure Individual Student Profiles are available through myPass.		
	DEADLINE to submit to the Special Cases and Accommodations team: Application for Unique Accommodations Braille request	November 27, 2026	March 5, 2027
	DEADLINE to fill out the PAT survey to indicate optionally piloting new curriculum and/or request early PAT administration dates	November 27, 2026	
	DEADLINE to send list of out-of-cohort students (programs of study completed) writing PATs to exam.admin@gov.ab.ca	November 27, 2026	February 5, 2027

Receiving and administering PATs

Who	Responsibility	January 2027	June 2027
Exam Administration Branch, Alberta Education and Childcare	Send braille to schools	January 4–6, 2027	May 24–26, 2027
Principal or designate	Contact Exam Administration if braille shipment has not arrived or if errors/omissions are identified.	January 11, 2027	May 28, 2027
Principal or designate	Administer PATs accordance with schedules set by Alberta Education and Childcare.	January 18–27 2027	May 31–June 22
Teachers	Teachers may locally mark Part(ie) A English Language Arts (and Literature)/French Immersion Language Arts and Literature/Français Langue Première et Littérature/K&E.	Until January 29, 2027	June 25
Principal or designate	Print any paper format PATs five days prior to administration.		
Principal or designate	Ensure all paper format written response sheets have been uploaded in the DAP within five business days following test administration, and that all selected-response records are entered into the DAP within five business days following test administration.		
Principal or designate	Securely store paper copies of PATs for 45 days following administration. After 45 days ensure all paper PATs have been securely shredded.		

Reporting

Who	Responsibility	January 2027	June 2027
Principal or designate	RETURN Braille-format materials	By January 27, 2027	By June 30, 2027
	Complete the principal kit on the digital assessment platform.	After each test	After each test
		All January PATs are secured.	
School authority staff and principal/designate	Access and review detailed report for errors/omissions.	N/A	Late August 2027
	DEADLINE for reporting errors/omissions to the Director, Early Years Assessments and Provincial Achievement Tests	N/A	Early September 2027
Provincial Assessment	Provincial Assessment Release detailed reports and Individual Student Profiles.	N/A	Late September 2027