



Southwest Preparatory School District Calendar School Year 2008-2009



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Calendar Legend

[Semester Starts
]	Semester Ends
▶	Start 6 Week Grading Period
◀	End 6 Week Grading Period
	New Teacher Orientation Aug 14 & 15
	In-Service (Aug 18 -- 22 Oct 13 Nov 24 - 25 Feb 16) <i>(Non-School Day For Students)</i>
☀	Inclement Weather (Feb 16, Jun 5)
☺	Graduation Day Window (Jun 5-7)
●	School Holiday

Attendance Track Semester Start/End Dates

	1 st Semester	2 nd Semester
Track 1	Aug 25 – Jan 16	Jan 20 – Jun 4
Track 2	Oct 3 – Mar 3	Mar 4 – Jul 16

6 Week Grading Periods

Track 1 Grading Periods	Track 2 Grading Periods	Dates (From-To)	Track 1 # School Days	Track 2 # School Days
1 st		Aug 25 – Oct 2	28	
2 nd	1 st	Oct 3 – Nov 14	30	30
3 rd	2 nd	Nov 17 – Jan 16	30	30
4 th	3 rd	Jan 20 – Mar 3	30	30
5 th	4 th	Mar 4 – Apr 20	28	28
6 th	5 th	Apr 21 – Jun 4	31	31
	6 th	Jun 8 – Jul 16		28
<i>Total School Days</i>			177	177

Holidays

Labor Day	Sep 1
Thanksgiving Break	Nov 26, 27, 28
Christmas Break	Dec 22 – Jan 2
Martin Luther King Jr. Day	Jan 19
Spring Break	Mar 9-13
Good Friday	Apr 10
Battle of Flowers	Apr 24
Memorial Day	May 25
Independence Day	Jul 3

TAKS/TAAS Assessments (See Schedule on Back Side)

August 2008 (5)						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
					1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24/31	▶ 25	26	27	28	29	30

November 2008 (15)						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
						1
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	▶ 15
16	▶ 17	18	19	20	21	22
23/30	24	25	26	27	28	29

February 2009 (19)						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28

May 2009 (20)						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
					1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24/31	25	26	27	28	29	30

September 2008 (21)						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30				

December 2008 (15)						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31			

March 2009 (17)						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
1	2	3	▶ 4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31				

June 2009 (21)						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	▶ 8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30				

October 2008 (22)						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31	

January 2009 (19)						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
				1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	▶ 17
18	19	▶ 20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31

April 2009 (20)						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	▶ 21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30		

July 2009 (11)						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	▶ 17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31	

2008–2009 Training

Aug 4–Oct 24/Oct 31	TELPAS holistic rating training of new raters through Oct 24; online qualification window through Oct 31
Fall (date TBD)	Assessment of students with disabilities through TETN
Dec 2–3 (Tues–Wed)	Annual test administration training in Austin by TEA
Dec/Jan (date TBD)	LPAC manual training through TETN
Jan 9, 2009 (Fri)	Completion date for training of school district testing personnel by ESCs

2008 Assessments

Test Date(s)	TAKS–Alt	Report Date(s)*
Oct 1 (Wed)	TAKS–Alt assessment tool becomes accessible to teachers.	
	TAKS[†] / TAAS	
Oct 21 (Tues)	<i>Exit Level ELA (retest)</i> <i>Exit Level ELA-Online (retest)</i>	Dec 3–5, 2008
Oct 22 (Wed)	<i>Exit Level Mathematics (retest)</i> <i>Exit Level Mathematics-Online (retest)</i>	
Oct 23 (Thurs)	<i>Exit Level Science (retest)</i> <i>Exit Level Science-Online (retest)</i>	
Oct 24 (Fri)	<i>Exit Level Social Studies (retest)</i> <i>Exit Level Social Studies-Online (retest)</i>	
	<i>TAAS Exit Level Writing (retest)</i> <i>TAAS Exit Level Mathematics (retest)</i> <i>TAAS Exit Level Reading (retest)</i>	

2009 Assessments**NAEP Assessments (selected sample)**

Late Jan–Early Mar	Reading, Mathematics, and Science (grades 4, 8, and 12)
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* Districts must notify students and parents of test results according to the schedule outlined in the Coordinator Manual.

† Includes TAKS (Accommodated)

Test Date(s)	TAKS [†] / TAAS	TAKS–M	Report Date(s)*
Mar 3 (Tues)	Grade 3 Reading (English and Spanish) Grade 5 Reading (English and Spanish) Grade 8 Reading	Grade 3 Reading Grade 5 Reading Grade 8 Reading	Mar 20, 2009**
	Grade 4 Writing (English and Spanish) Grade 7 Writing Grade 9 Reading Grade 10 ELA Exit Level ELA	Grade 4 Writing Grade 7 Writing Grade 9 Reading Grade 10 ELA Grade 11 ELA●	May 15–22, 2009
	<i>Exit Level ELA (retest)</i> <i>TAAS Exit Level Writing (retest)</i> <i>Exit Level ELA-Online (retest)</i>		Apr 22–24, 2009
Mar 4 (Wed)	<i>Exit Level Mathematics (retest)</i> <i>TAAS Exit Level Mathematics (retest)</i> <i>Exit Level Mathematics-Online (retest)</i>		
Mar 5 (Thurs)	Make-up session for Grade 10 ELA <i>Exit Level Science (retest)</i> <i>TAAS Exit Level Reading (retest)</i> <i>Exit Level Science-Online (retest)</i>		May 15–22, 2009
	<i>Exit Level Social Studies (retest)</i> <i>Exit Level Social Studies-Online (retest)</i>		Apr 22–24, 2009
Mar 6 (Fri)			
Mar 7 (Sat)	All make-up sessions for tests scheduled to be administered on March 3, 2009, and included in the calculation of AYP must be completed by this date. These tests include grades 3, 5, and 8 reading (English and Spanish).		
Testing Window Mar 16–27	Spanish TAKS Field Tests		None
	Grades 5–6 Spanish Reading Grades 5–6 Spanish Mathematics		
TELPAS			
Testing Window Mar 16–Apr 10	Grades K–12 TELPAS Reading, Listening, Speaking, and Writing		May 11–15, 2009
TAKS–Alt			
Submission Window Apr 6–17	TAKS–Alt submission window		May 15–22, 2009
TAKS[†]		TAKS–M	
Apr 6 (Mon)	LAT Grade 5 Mathematics LAT Grade 8 Mathematics	LAT Grade 5 Mathematics LAT Grade 8 Mathematics	Apr 24, 2009**
	Grade 5 Mathematics (English and Spanish) Grade 8 Mathematics	Grade 5 Mathematics Grade 8 Mathematics	
Apr 9 (Thurs)	All make-up sessions for the grades 5 and 8 mathematics tests, grades 5 and 8 LAT included, scheduled to be administered on April 6–7, 2009, must be completed by this date.		

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** 10 working days after the testing contractor receives the scorable materials

† Includes TAKS (Accommodated)

● For students receiving special education services, the ARD committee will continue to determine a student's graduation requirements.

Test Date(s)	TAKS [†] / TAAS	TAKS–M	Report Date(s)*
Apr 27 (Mon)	LAT Grades 3–4 Mathematics LAT Grades 6–7 Mathematics LAT Grade 10 Mathematics	LAT Grades 3–4 Mathematics LAT Grades 6–7 Mathematics LAT Grade 10 Mathematics	May 15–22, 2009
Apr 28 (Tues)	LAT Grades 3–8 Reading*** LAT Grade 10 ELA*** Grades 3–4 Mathematics (English and Spanish) Grade 6 Mathematics (English and Spanish) Grade 7 Mathematics Grade 10 Mathematics <i>Exit Level ELA (retest)</i> <i>TAAS Exit Level Writing (retest)</i> <i>Exit Level ELA-Online (retest)</i>	LAT Grades 3–8 Reading*** LAT Grade 10 ELA*** Grades 3–4 Mathematics Grade 6 Mathematics Grade 7 Mathematics Grade 10 Mathematics	
Apr 29 (Wed)	Grade 4 Reading (English and Spanish) Grade 6 Reading (English and Spanish) Grade 7 Reading Exit Level Mathematics	Grade 4 Reading Grade 6 Reading Grade 7 Reading Grade 11 Mathematics●	May 15–22, 2009
	<i>Grade 3 Reading (retest) (English and Spanish)</i> <i>Grade 5 Reading (retest) (English and Spanish)</i> <i>Grade 8 Reading (retest)</i>	<i>Grade 3 Reading (retest)</i> <i>Grade 5 Reading (retest)</i> <i>Grade 8 Reading (retest)</i>	May 15–22, 2009**
	<i>Exit Level Mathematics (retest)</i> <i>TAAS Exit Level Mathematics (retest)</i> <i>Exit Level Mathematics-Online (retest)</i>		May 18–20, 2009
Apr 30 (Thurs)	Grade 5 Science (English and Spanish) Grade 8 Science Grade 9 Mathematics Grade 10 Science Exit Level Science	Grade 5 Science Grade 8 Science Grade 9 Mathematics Grade 10 Science Grade 11 Science●	May 15–22, 2009
	<i>Exit Level Science (retest)</i> <i>TAAS Exit Level Reading (retest)</i> <i>Exit Level Science-Online (retest)</i>		May 18–20, 2009
May 1 (Fri)	LAT Grade 5 Science LAT Grade 8 Science LAT Grade 10 Science Grade 8 Social Studies Grade 10 Social Studies Exit Level Social Studies	LAT Grade 5 Science LAT Grade 8 Science LAT Grade 10 Science Grade 8 Social Studies Grade 10 Social Studies Grade 11 Social Studies●	May 15–22, 2009
	<i>Exit Level Social Studies (retest)</i> <i>Exit Level Social Studies-Online (retest)</i>		May 18–20, 2009
May 2 (Sat)	All make-up sessions for tests, LAT included, scheduled to be administered on April 27–29, 2009, and included in the calculation of AYP must be completed by this date. These tests include grades 3–4, 6–7, and 10 mathematics, and grades 3–8 reading.		

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** 10 working days after the testing contractor receives the scorable materials for SSI grades/subjects only

*** Tests administered over two days, April 28 and April 29

† Includes TAKS (Accommodated)

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Test Date(s)	End-of-Course Online Field Tests		Report Date(s)*			
Testing Window May 4–22	Physics	World Geography	None			
	End-of-Course Online Tests (Optional)					
Testing Window May 11–29	Algebra I	Geometry	Biology	Chemistry	U.S. History	See footnote ‡
	TAKS [†] / TAAS		TAKS–M			
May 19 (Tues)	<i>Grade 5 Mathematics (retest) (English and Spanish)</i> <i>Grade 8 Mathematics (retest)</i>		<i>Grade 5 Mathematics (retest)</i> <i>Grade 8 Mathematics (retest)</i>		June 8, 2009**	
May 21 (Thurs)	All make-up sessions for the grades 5 and 8 mathematics tests (English and Spanish versions) scheduled to be administered on May 19, 2009, must be completed by this date.					
June 30 (Tues)	<i>Grade 5 Mathematics (retest) (English and Spanish)</i> <i>Grade 8 Mathematics (retest)</i>		<i>Grade 5 Mathematics (retest)</i> <i>Grade 8 Mathematics (retest)</i>		July 17, 2009**	
July 1 (Wed)	<i>Grade 3 Reading (retest) (English and Spanish) ♦</i> <i>Grade 5 Reading (retest) (English and Spanish)</i> <i>Grade 8 Reading (retest)</i>		<i>Grade 3 Reading (retest)</i> <i>Grade 5 Reading (retest)</i> <i>Grade 8 Reading (retest)</i>			
July 14 (Tues)	<i>Exit Level ELA (retest)</i> <i>Exit Level ELA-Online (retest)</i>	<i>TAAS Exit Level Writing (retest)</i>	<i>Grade 11 ELA (retest) •</i>		Aug 12–14, 2009	
July 15 (Wed)	<i>Exit Level Mathematics (retest)</i> <i>Exit Level Mathematics-Online (retest)</i>	<i>TAAS Exit Level Mathematics (retest)</i>	<i>Grade 11 Mathematics (retest) •</i>			
July 16 (Thurs)	<i>Exit Level Science (retest)</i> <i>Exit Level Science-Online (retest)</i>	<i>TAAS Exit Level Reading (retest)</i>	<i>Grade 11 Science (retest) •</i>			
July 17 (Fri)	<i>Exit Level Social Studies (retest)</i> <i>Exit Level Social Studies-Online (retest)</i>		<i>Grade 11 Social Studies (retest) •</i>			

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‡ Districts can access their reports within 24 hours of submitting tests.

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♦ Available alternate SSI assessment is specified at <http://www.tea.state.tx.us/student.assessment/resources/ssi/index.html>. The testing window is open from June 29–July 16.

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