

Test Timelines

For 7th and 8th Graders



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| | | January-May | June to September | September to October | Late October/Early November | November | First week of December | Mid-February to Early March | April to May |
| SHSAT | | | | | | | | | |
| | Research NYC's Specialized High Schools | Receive the Directory of Public High Schools (April-September) through the guidance office | Attend city-wide high school fair Receive Specialized High Schools applications | Take the Specialized High School Admissions Test (SHSAT). | SHSAT Make-Up Test | High school applications due to guidance counselors | Students receive SHSAT scores back and are notified of their acceptance to the Specialized High Schools. Students should return letters of acceptance to their guidance counselors. | Students who have been placed on a wait list may receive new information about acceptance | |
| | Plan your preparation for the SHSAT. | If you haven't already, start your prep for the SHSAT | Attend high school fairs sponsored by each borough | | NOTE: Only with special permission. Documentation from your guidance counselor is required as to why you were unable to take the test on the assigned date | | | | |

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| SSAT | Research Private schools | Keep preparing for SSAT | Research schools. | | Submit your school applications and request financial aid forms. | | Schools notify parents of admission decision. | | |
| | Plan your preparation for the SSAT. | | Contact 2-6 schools for more information & applications. | | Verify those teacher evaluations, other letters of recommendation, and current school transcripts have been sent to the school(s) to which you are applying. | | Schools notify parents of financial aid decision (where applicable). | | |
| | | | Register for and take the SSAT or other required admission tests. | | Visit each school for a tour and an interview. Check to make sure that schools have received all necessary information. | | Parents reply to schools regarding matriculation. | | |
| ISEE | Research Private schools | Keep preparing for ISEE | Register and Take the ISEE | | | Submit your school applications and request financial aid forms. | | Schools notify of admission decision. | |
| | Plan your preparation for ISEE | | | | | | | Reply to schools regarding matriculation. | |