Office of Religious & Independent School Support (ORISS) DATES TO REMEMBER 2024 – 2025

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• 2024-25 Written Affirmation of LEA Consultation with Private School Officials Form (required as part of the 2024-25 Consolidated Application for ESSA-Funded Programs) – The deadline for LEAs to submit the form to NYSED for the 2024-25 school year is August 31, 2024.* The 2024-25 Consolidated Application for ESSA-Funded Programs can be found on the Office of Accountability's website. LEAs must provide private schools with opportunities for timely and meaningful consultation prior to completion of the form. Consultation must address all topics identified on the form. The form MUST be completed by the public school official in consultation with private school officials.

 All Data (K-12 Assessments, Enrollment, Demographics, Graduation Rate, etc.) is due in the Student Information Repository System (SIRS) by the end of August. Religious and

^{*} It is important to note that individual LEAs will require private school officials to complete, sign, and return this form prior to **August 31**st since the LEAs must submit their applications to NYSED by this date.

• Grades 3-8 English Language Arts and Mathematics Tests and Grades 5 and 8 Science Tests Requesting Memo – This memo provides information concerning procedures for requesting, shipping, and storing materials for the 2025 Grades 3-8 English Language Arts (ELA) and Mathematics Tests and the Grades 5 and 8 Science Tests. It also provides information on the online request system including the deadline for submitting requests. For additional information, please visit the Office of State Assessment website.

The <u>testing schedule</u> is posted on the Office of State Assessment website. Information on computer-based testing is available on the <u>CBT Support</u> website.

• <u>RISE Conference</u> – <u>Register</u> to attend the 2024 RISE conference, which will be held *November 12-13, 2024*.

NOVEMBER

- RISE Conference Annual Religious and Independent Schools Educators Conference will be in-person at the Albany Marriott Hotel in Albany, November 12-13, 2024.
- BEDS IMF The due date for the BEDS IMF is November 15, 2024.

DECEMBER

<u>Substantial Equivalency (SE) Local School Authority (LSA) survey from Public School – SE</u>
<u>Determination</u> – The SE Pathways that religious and independent schools are choosing should be reported to the LSA so they can make the SE determination and report it to NYSED by <u>December 1st</u>. Religious and independent schools should work with their LSA to report their pathway and to ensure

 <u>BEDS Code Applications</u> – Applications for new BEDS codes must be received and completed by <u>mid-December</u> for BEDS codes to be effective for the 2024-2025 school year. Applications can be found on ORISS' <u>BEDS Code Information</u> website.

Please note that if a school's address has changed and the new site is located in a different school district, the school will need a new BEDS code. New BEDS codes can only be assigned for the 2024-2025 school year if they are received and complete by **mid-December**. BEDS Change of Address forms can also be found on the BED Code Information website.

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- <u>Non-Public Safety and Equipment (NPSE) Grant</u> Eligible schools for <u>NPSE</u> should submit reimbursement claims by **April 15**, **2025**.
- <u>Academic Intervention Services (AIS) Grant</u> Eligible schools for <u>AIS</u> should submit reimbursement claims by **April 15**, **2025**.

Spring Deadlines as determined by public school districts:x

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- <u>Special Education Service Requests</u> must be submitted by June 1, 2025 for the 2024-2025 school year. For more information, please see <u>Education Law Section 3602-C</u>.
- Occupational Education Requests must be submitted by June 1, 2025. In order to arrange for participation in an occupational education program, the parent of a religious or independent school pupil must file a written request with the board of education of the district in which the pupil resides by June 1. The administrator of a religious or independent school may receive and forward the requests for the parents to the board of education. For more information, please go to Religious and Independent School Handbook Occupational Education.
- <u>Gifted Education Requests</u> must be submitted by <u>June 1</u>, <u>2025</u>. A parent should apply for dual enrollment services to the district of residence. Requests for participation must be filed with the board of education of the district of residence on or before <u>June 1</u> preceding the school year for which the request is being made. For more information, please go to <u>Religious and Independent School Handbook Gifted Education</u>.
- <u>Textbook Loan Requests</u> must be submitted by June 1, 2025. The administrator prepares textbook requests for the coming year and submits them to parents or district. The law allows a board of education to set a date by which the districts must receive requests for textbook loans, but this date cannot be earlier than June 1 of the year preceding that for which textbooks are requested. For more information, please go to <u>Religious and Independent School Handbook</u> <u>Textbook Loans</u>.
- <u>Regents</u> Schools administering Regents Examinations must submit their answer sheets
 to their Regional Information Center (RIC)/scanning center. Contact your RIC for specific
 due dates. Visit the Office of State Assessment's website for <u>Testing Schedule</u>
 information.

Sneak Peek at Important Deadlines for 2025-2026

<u>Mathematics, Science, & Technology (MST) Teacher Salary Reimbursement Grant</u> – Eligible schools for <u>MST</u> must submit claims by **August 1, 2025**.

<u>Art & Music Teacher Salary (AMTS) Reimbursement Grant</u> – Eligible schools for <u>AMTS</u> should submit claims by August 1, 2025.

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