

Grade 4 New York State Science Test Overview

The Grade 4 NYS Science Test consists of a Written Test and a Performance Test. Our goal is for all fourth grade scholars to **score a 4!** We know we can meet this goal because our scholars prove what is possible year after year. Every SA Bed-Stuy 1 fourth grader has scored a 4 **each year** that our school has had 4th grade.

Written Test

- Questions cover topics scholars have learned from Kindergarten through 4th grade science
- The test is untimed; most scholars complete the test in 60-75 minutes
- 30 multiple-questions (1 point each)
- 10-15 open response questions (1-2 points each, 15 points total)
- 45 total possible points

Performance Test

- Scholars are taken to the science lab in small groups to test over a 3 day window
- Scholars work independently at three different performance stations, following a set of procedures to complete experiments, record data, and write short responses
- During the timed test, scholars have 15 minutes of work time at each of the three stations:
 - Station 1: Measurement
 - Station 2: Electricity & Magnetism
 - Station 3: Ball and Ramp
- 26 total possible points

Important Test Dates

- January 24-26: Practice Performance Exam
- February 26-28: Practice Written Exam
- May 9-11: Performance Exam Dress Rehearsal
- May 14: Written Exam Dress Rehearsal
- **May 23-25: NYS Science Performance Exam**
- **June 4: NYS Science Written Exam**

Need Practice Work?

You can access old copies of the NYS Written Exam at the web address below. The NYS Performance Exam is not available online.

<http://www.nysedregents.org/grade4/science/home.html>

Contact Us

Please contact your scholar's science teacher at any time with your questions or concerns.

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