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RE: Implementation Extension: NYS Next Generation Learning Standards in English Language Arts and Mathematics and NYS P-12 Science Learning Standards

The Board of Regents adopted the new [P-12 Science Learning Standards in December 2016](#) and the revised [Next Generation English Language Arts \(ELA\) and Mathematics Learning Standards in September 2017](#). These standards are the result of years of collaborative and transparent work to ensure New York State has the best learning standards for students. Since their adoption, work to implement the standards in a thoughtful manner has been ongoing; the Board of Regents and Department have committed to timelines that prioritize student needs and professional learning for educators.

Due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, [implementation timelines for the Next Generation Learning Standards in ELA](#) and [Mathematics](#) and the NYS P-12 [Science](#) Learning Standards have again been updated to allow one additional year for professional learning and curriculum development prior to implementation.

It is important to note that the final administration of the Grade 4 Elementary-Level Science Test was scheduled for June 2021. With the extension of the implementation timeline for science, the final administration will now take place in Spring 2022. The final administration of the

New York State Next Generation English Language Arts (ELA) Learning Standards

New York State Next Generation Mathematics Learning Standards Instruction and Assessment Implementation Timeline

Instruction aligned to NYS Next Generation Mathematics Learning Standards begins...

2018

Release of the NYS Next Generation ELA & Mathematics Learning Standards Implementation Roadmap

2019-2022

Last administration of NYS Grades 3-8 state assessments aligned to the NYS CCLS for Mathematics (2011)

2022-2023

First administration of NYS Grades 3-8 state assessments aligned to the NYS Next Generation Mathematics Learning Standards

2023-2024

First administration of Algebra I Regents Exam, aligned to the NYS Next Generation Mathematics Learning Standards

2024-2025

First administration of Geometry Regents Exam, aligned to the NYS Next Generation Mathematics Learning Standards.
* Last administration of Algebra I CC (2011) Regents Exam.

2025-2026

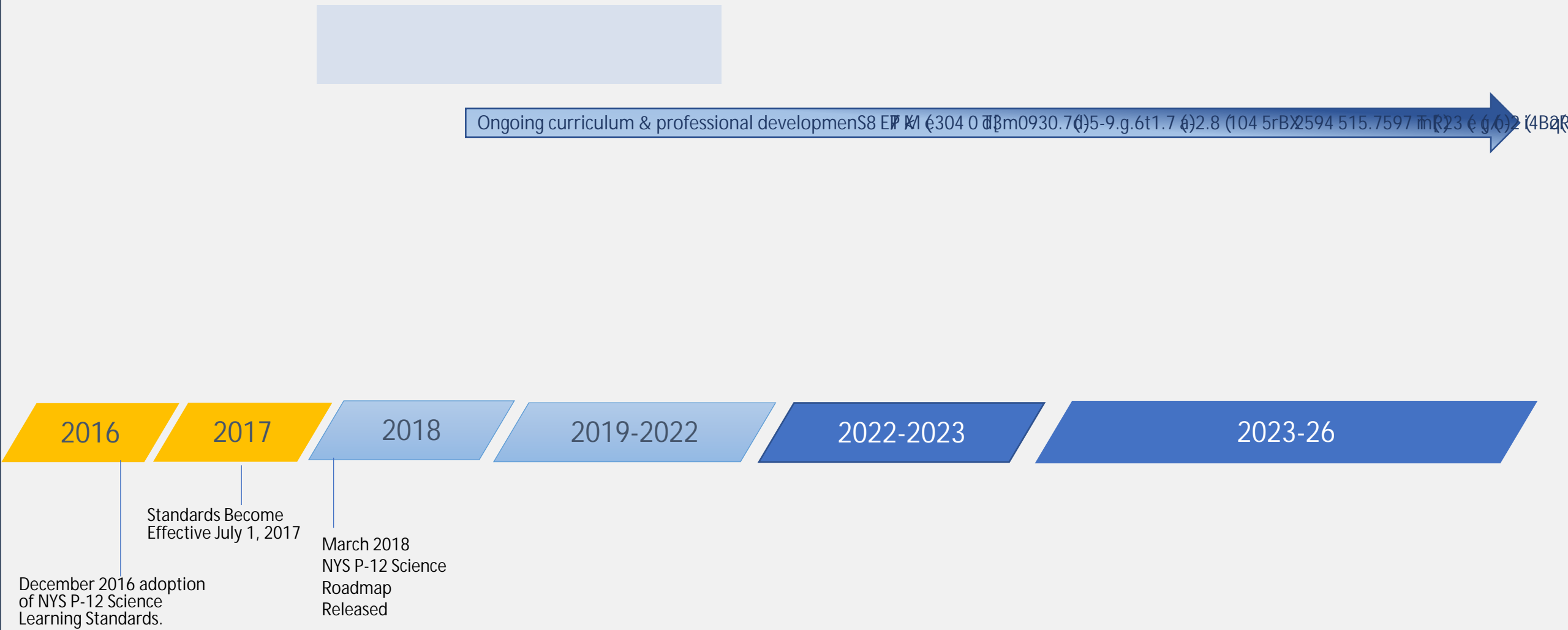
First administration of Algebra II Regents Exam, aligned to the NYS Next Generation Mathematics Learning Standards.
** Last administration of Geometry CC (2011) Regents Exam.

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*** Last administration of Algebra II CC (2011) Regents Exam.

New York State P-12 Science Standards Development, Adoption, and Implementation

Revised March 2021



June 2022: Last Administration of grade 4 science test aligned to the 1996 Science Standards

This last test administration signals to the field the need for a shift in instruction aligned to the 2016 New York State P-12 Science Learning Standards. Students enrolled in grade 3 during the 2020-2021 school year should have received instruction in the 2016 New York State P-12 Science Learning Standards. However, due to school closures related to COVID-19, the Department delayed the rollout of the state assessments aligned to the New York State P

September 2023: Continue Phase II Transition and Implementation

This date signals the continued implementation PK-3 and grade 6 and initial transition of curriculum and instruction aligned to the 2016 New York State P-12 Science Learning Standards for grades 4 and 7.

June 2023: Testing Transition

June 2023 will be a testing transition where there will be no grade 4 science test; these students will take the new science test in grade 5 in 2024. This will provide time for teachers and students to adapt to teaching and learning called for in the new standards. It provides the opportunity for full transition to the 2016 standards without having a cohort of students tested on the 1996 standards one year and the 2016 standards the following year.

June 2023 will be the last administration of the Grade 8 Science test aligned to the 1996 standards.

September 2023: Continue Phase II Transition and Implementation

This date signals the continued implementation of instruction aligned to the 2016 New York State P-12 Science Learning Standards for grades P-4 and grade 7; instruction in the 2016 New York State Science Learning Standards begins for grades 5 and 8. This results in all curriculum and instruction in grades P-8 aligned to the new 2016 standards.

June 2024: First Administration of the new Grade 5 and Grade 8 exams

