COVID-19 SIRS Reporting of June and August 2020 Regents Exemptions Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ)

Q1. How will exemptions to the Regents exams impact the ELA and Math Participation Rate calculations?

A1. Guidance will be forthcoming.

Q2. How will the exemptions impact grades 7 and 8 students?

A2. As indicated in the Regents Examination and Graduation Requirements Questions Related to COVID -19 Closure ([FAQ](#)) revised May 26, 2020, any student in grade 8 enrolled in a science or math course culminating in a Regents examination who has met the standards assessed in the provided coursework by the scheduled date of the June 2020 or August 2020 Regents Examination shall be granted an exemption from the examination and shall be granted the applicable diploma credit.

A student in grade 7 enrolled in a Regents level course who has met the standards assessed in the provided coursework by the scheduled date of the June 2020 or August 2020 Regents Examination is eligible for an exemption of the culminating Regents Exam. While this student is not eligible for diploma credit as they are not yet in grade 8, the student is considered exempt from the assessment for the purpose of fulfilling an assessment requirement.

Reporting of Regents exemptions for these students would be done in the same way as you would for a student in any other grade.

Q3. How do I report an approved June or August 2020 Regents Examination or approved alternative exemption?

A3. You must report a Standard Achieved Code of "86" with the course of study in which the student earned credit. No other Standard Achieved Code may be used to report these exemptions.

Q4. What do I put on the Students' Transcripts for examinations for which was granted an exemption?

A4. Student transcripts should reflect the examination name and a score of "E" for exempt for those students meeting the eligibility requirements for such exemption outlined in the April 7 and/or the May 26, 2020 updated guidance from the Department.

Q5. Why are no Annual Regents Examination data in the