

STUDENTS IN GRADES ELEVEN AND TWELVE

California High School Proficiency Exam 2018–19

What is the CHSPE?

The California High School Proficiency Examination (CHSPE) is a voluntary test that assesses proficiency in basic reading, writing, and mathematics skills taught in public schools. The CHSPE consists of two test sections: mathematics and English-language arts (ELA). The ELA section has two subtests (reading and language). Eligible persons who pass both parts of the CHSPE are awarded a Certificate of Proficiency by the State Board of Education. The test is given in English only.

Who is eligible to take the CHSPE?

You may take the CHSPE **only if**, on the test date, you meet **one** of the following requirements:

- You are at least 16 years old.
- You have been enrolled in the tenth grade for one academic year or longer.
- You will complete one academic year of enrollment in the tenth grade at the end of the semester during which the next regular administration of the CHSPE will be conducted. (Regular administrations are offered in the fall, spring, and summer.)

When **and where** is the CHSPE offered?

The administration dates for the 2018–19 school year are as follows:

Test Date Saturday Morning	Regular Registration Deadline (Receipt Date)	Late Registration Deadline (Receipt Date)	Emergency Registration Deadline (Receipt Date)	Results Mailed
October 20, 2018	Sept. 21, 2018	October 5, 2018	October 16, 2018	November 23, 2018
March 16, 2019	Feb. 15, 2019	March 1, 2019	March 12, 2019	April 19, 2019
June 15, 2019	May 17, 2019	May 31, 2019	June 11, 2019	July 19, 2019

There is at least one test administration center in most California counties; some counties have more than one test administration center. A list of the counties and test centers can be found on the internet at <https://www.chspe.net/about/locations/> or in the *CHSPE Information Bulletin* also available on this website.

Certificate of Proficiency

California law requires that the Certificate of Proficiency be equivalent to a high school diploma. Institutions that are subject to California law and that require a high school diploma must accept a Certificate of Proficiency. A student who receives a Certificate of Proficiency may, with verified parental approval, leave high school early. The Certificate of Proficiency, however, is not equivalent to completing all coursework required for regular graduation from high school. Speak with your school counselor to understand the benefits of the Certificate of Proficiency. This certificate meets the federal financial aid requirement of a high school diploma or equivalent. If you are planning to continue your studies at a college or university, contact the admissions office so you can understand its requirements and whether or not the CHSPE certificate will be accepted.

For more information:

Additional information about the CHSPE is located online at <https://www.chspe.net> or by calling the CHSPE Help Desk at 866-342-4773.