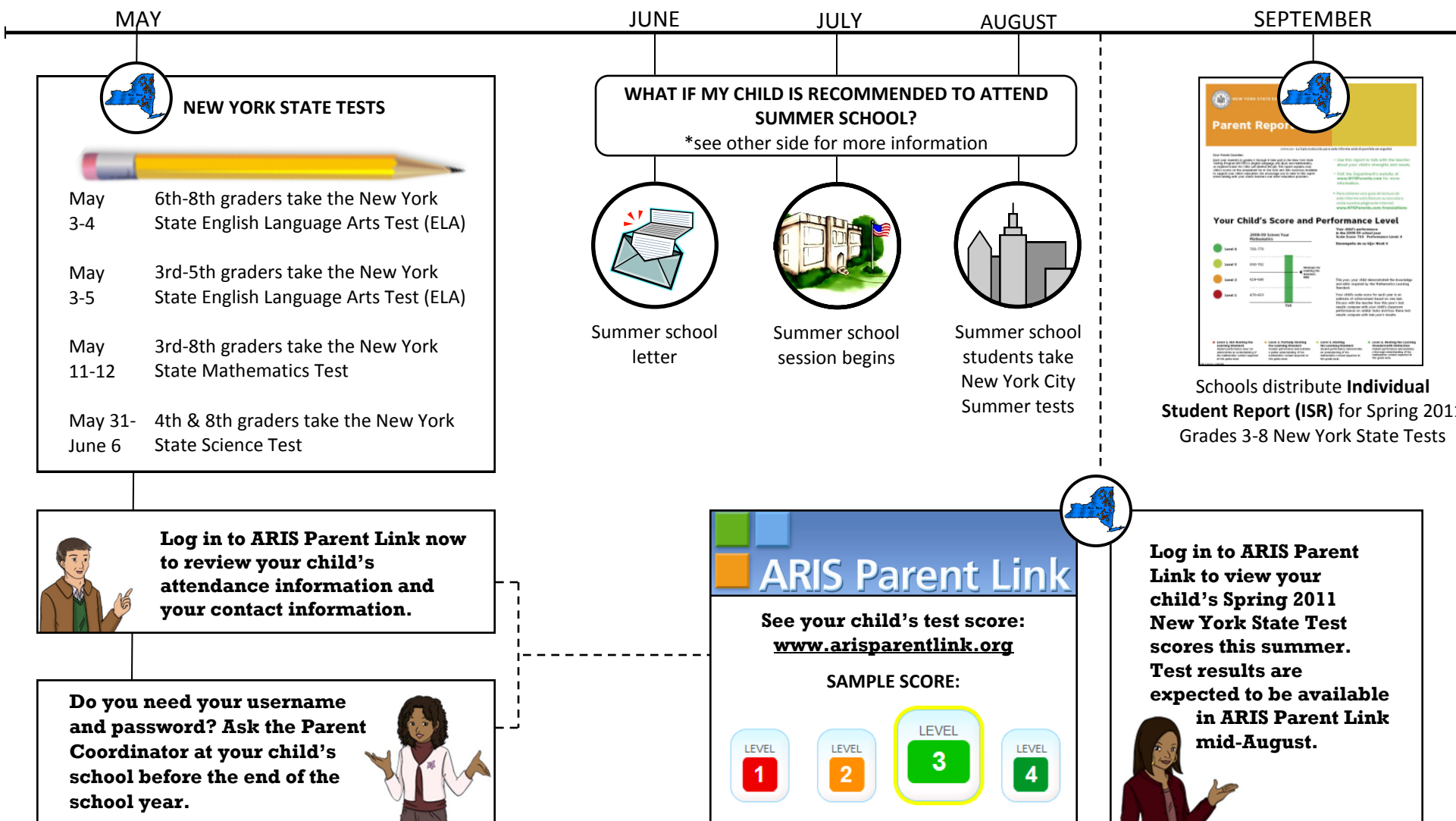
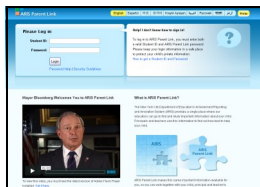


What can I expect after the 2011 New York State Tests?



Tell me more!



ARIS PARENT LINK

(www.arisparentlink.org)

ARIS Parent Link is a secure location where you can easily find information about your child's attendance, periodic assessments, and NY State

test results, including Regents exams. Parents of students in middle and high school can also access report card grades, unofficial transcripts, and important information about high school graduation requirements. ARIS Parent Link also contains resources you can use with your child to improve his or her achievement.

SUMMER SCHOOL

Schools provide additional instructional support to students through their **summer school** program. You will receive a summer school letter in the mail if your child is recommended to attend summer school. Students in grades 3-12 who do not meet promotion standards in June have the opportunity to attend summer school.

PROMOTION

Promotion occurs when a student meets the necessary requirements to move on to the next grade level. These requirements are called **promotion standards or criteria**. Students' promotion criteria are determined by their grade level and special education and English Language Learner status. Families of students who do not meet their promotion standards will be notified in June in a promotion letter from their school's principal.

FOR MORE INFORMATION: Call 311 or visit <http://schools.nyc.gov/Offices/OFEA>

New York State Test vs. New York City Summer Test



	NEW YORK STATE TEST	NEW YORK CITY
When is the test given?	English Language Arts (ELA): May 3-4 (Grades 6-8) May 3-5 (Grades 3-5) Math: May 11-12 (Grades 3-8)	ELA: August 9 Math: August 8
Who takes this test?	All New York State public school students in grades 3-8* take yearly State tests to assess their mastery of New York State Learning Standards.	Students in grades 3-8 who did not meet their promotion standards on the May State tests take the New York City Summer test at the end of summer school in August.
How are test results used?	New York City creates preliminary promotional cut scores based on State test data that are used to make promotion decisions in June.	Final State test results are expected during the summer. If your child is retained in June because of a low NYC promotional cut score but passes the State test in that subject area, he or she will be promoted.
How do families receive information?	Retained students will receive a promotion letter in June.	City test results are used to make August promotion decisions for students who are not promoted in June.
		Students who were retained in June will receive an August promotion letter with a promotion decision.

**Note: English Language Learners who have been in the United States for less than one year are not required to take the State ELA test. Students taking the New York State Alternate Assessment (NYSAA) do not take grades 3-8 New York State tests.*

Important Dates for Families about Summer School and Promotion Decisions

DATE	EVENT
Week of June 20	Families of students recommended for summer school will receive summer school letters in the mail.
July 5	First possible day of summer school
Summer (Shortly after the release of official State test results)	Families of students impacted by the NYS test results receive a letter updating them about their child's promotion decision.
Math: August 8, ELA: August 9	Summer school students take New York City Summer tests.
Week of August 22	Summer school students receive New York City Summer test scores and August promotion decision letters.