

Expiration and Pause Rules for Assessments

Expiration Rules

Reminder, this is referring to **calendar days**. The first day is the day that a student starts the section or test.

10 DAY Availability	20 DAY Availability	45 DAY Availability
<ul style="list-style-type: none">■ Performance Task (PT) English Language Arts/Literacy (ELA)■ PT Mathematics	<ul style="list-style-type: none">■ Summative English Language Proficiency Assessments for California (ELPAC) Speaking■ Summative ELPAC Writing■ Initial ELPAC (all domains)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">■ Computer Adaptive Test (CAT)—ELA■ CAT—Mathematics■ California Science Test■ California Alternate Assessment (CAA)—ELA, Mathematics, and Science■ California Spanish Assessment■ Summative ELPAC Listening■ Summative ELPAC Reading

Pause Rules

Although all assessments can be paused, these rules apply to California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress CAT (ELA and Mathematics), Initial ELPAC, and Summative ELPAC (Listening and Reading). Tests can be paused for the following reasons:

- Technical issues such as a power outage
- End of testing session
- The student needs a break
- Idle activity

Equal to or less than 20 minutes

The student will be able to return to where the student left off within a segment.
The student will not be able to access previously submitted segments.

More than 20 minutes

The student returns to the page where the student left off if there are questions remaining that a student has not interacted* with.
*A student interacts with a section if the student enters text into a question's response area and then deletes what was typed.

Idle Activity

The system recognizes activity as:

- Selecting or entering an answer
- Using navigation tools

Moving the mouse is not considered "activity."

Other Considerations

There are no pause rules for the CAASPP PT, the CAAs, or the Summative ELPAC (Writing and Speaking). The student can return to a segment multiple times until the student submits the segment.