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Department of Education

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TO: Division Superintendents

FROM: Patricia I. Wright, Superintendent of Public Instruction

**SUBJECT: Release of Spring 2013 Standards of Learning Tests in Spring 2014**

The Virginia Department of Education is planning to release the following spring 2013 Standards of Learning (SOL) tests in spring 2014:

- Grade 3 Mathematics
- Grade 4 Mathematics
- Grade 5 Mathematics
- Grade 6 Mathematics
- Grade 7 Mathematics
- Grade 8 Mathematics
- Algebra I
- Algebra II
- Geometry
- Grade 3 History (Item Set)
- Virginia Studies (Item Set)
- U.S. History to 1865 (Item Set)
- U.S. History: 1865 to the Present (Item Set)
- Civics and Economics (Item Set))
- World History and Geography to 1500 A.D. (C.E.) (Item Set)
- World History and Geography: 1500 to the Present A.D. (C.E.) (Item Set)
- World Geography (Item Set)
- Virginia and U.S. History (Item Set)

There will be a set of test items released from each of the 2013 history and social science SOL tests. Only a set of test items is being released at this time as the item bank cannot support a full release of each history test form.

Due to the potential impact of releasing tests on the item bank, the spring 2013 reading, writing, and science tests will not be released in spring 2014. It generally takes at least two years after tests based on the new SOL are administered before a release of a test may occur. It is anticipated that the reading, writing, and science tests will be released in spring 2015.

If you have questions, please contact the student assessment staff by e-mail at [Student\\_Assessment@doe.virginia.gov](mailto:Student_Assessment@doe.virginia.gov) or by phone at (804) 225-2102.

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