

**Update on Standardized Assessments for the 2021-2022 School Year**

Parents and Guardians,

During the 2020-21 school year, the New Jersey Department of Education applied for a federal testing waiver which was approved and allowed school districts to postpone statewide testing assessment this past school year.

This year the district will again be required to administer the New Jersey Student Learning Assessments in grades 3-9 for ELA and Math and Grades 5, 8, and 11 for Science. There may also be a small number of grade 10 students enrolled in Algebra I who may also be required to test this year.

More information on the [new high school graduation requirements](#) can be found here and parent resources for the [NJSLA assessments are available here](#).

**Projected NJSLA Testing Dates:**

Grade Level Span	Projected Assessment Information
3rd Grade	ELA and Math tests (3 sections each) will begin on May 9th
4th Grade	ELA / Math (3 sections each) will begin on May 16th
5th Grade	ELA / Math (3 sections each) will begin on May 16th Science will held on 5/23 and 5/24
6th Grade	ELA / Math (3 sections each) will begin on May 17th
7th Grade	ELA (3 sections - 5/11 & 5/12) and Math (3 sections 5/12 & 5/16)
8th Grade	ELA / Math (3 sections each) will begin on May 17th Science will held on 5/23 and 5/24
9th Grade	ELA / Math (3 sections ELA / 2 Math) will begin on May 16th
11th Grade	Science will held on 5/23 and 5/24

We ask for your assistance in getting your children to school on time, having them well rested, and having their chromebooks fully charged each day before school. Please send your child to school with headphones for testing if possible. We are unable to allow students to enter the testing rooms once testing has begun. Failure to report to school on time will result in scheduling your child for make up testing. In addition, if you need to schedule appointments (e.g. doctor/dentist) for your child, we kindly ask you to try to do so around the testing schedule.

[We have also put together a FAQ document which you can find HERE which discusses some questions you may have and details the state assessment policy on student electronic devices during testing sessions.](#)

If you have any questions about the various assessments we are required to give, please reach out to your children's building principal or you can also email the district testing coordinator, Scot Burkholder, at [sburkholder@wayneschools.com](mailto:sburkholder@wayneschools.com).

Sincerely,

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