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Dear Parent(s)/Caregiver(s),

As per the New Jersey Department of Education, all school districts are required to notify parents and/or guardians of any State assessment or commercially developed standardized assessment(s) that are administered throughout the year. It is important to acknowledge that students are assessed throughout the year both formally, including standardized testing, and informally by the teachers. The information gathered on assessments is used to examine and reflect on our professional practice and the needs of our students. As a result, the Hackensack Public Schools assessment schedule is attached, along with the following information about each assessment:

- The name of each assessment
- The date or range of dates for the administration of the assessment
- The subject area/ focus of the assessment
- The grade levels being assessed
- The time allotted for the student to take and complete the assessment
- Accommodations or accessibility options available to students
- Whether the assessment is required by the state or federal government, or both
- Information on sample questions and/or how to understand student results
- When to expect assessment results

This information is based on the most recent guidance the district has received from the State of New Jersey. If you have any questions, please contact your child's building principal.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Andrea Oates-Parchment
Acting Superintendent

New Jersey school districts, charter schools, and Renaissance school projects are required by statute (N.J.S.A. 18A: 7C-6.6) to annually notify parents or guardians by October 1 of any statewide student assessment or commercially-developed standardized assessment that will be administered over the course of the school year. If, after October 1, it is decided that an additional commercially-developed standardized assessment will be administered, then the information shall be shared with parents as soon as possible (within 30 days of receipt of final reports for statewide assessments). If specific details are not yet available, districts may insert "To Be Determined" ("TBD").

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Information about Available Accommodations and Accessibility Features refers to the manual that outlines the accommodations and accessibility options available for the test.
Required by the State, Federal Government, or Local (School District): Whether the assessment is required or mandated by state, federal, or local district (Hackensack)
Sample Questions: Provides a link to sample items/questions for students to practice.
Testing Time Allotted per Student: The maximum amount of time allotted to students to complete the assessment.
Testing Window: The period of time in which districts are allowed to administer the assessment. It is not the actual number of days it takes a student to complete the assessment.
Results Available: The date districts receive individualized student results from the assessment. These results should be distributed to students, educators, and families as soon as possible (within 30 days of receipt of final reports for statewide assessments).

For all assessments, if a student's IEP or 504 plan permits extended time or other accommodations, parents/caregivers should contact their student's case manager for details. Accommodations and accessibility options will be provided for multilingual learners in accordance with New Jersey Department of Education guidelines.

Assessment	Subject Area	Grade Level	Testing Time	Information about Accommodations & Accessibility Features	Required by State, Federal, or Local	Sample Questions	Results Available	Testing Window
NJGPA: New Jersey Graduation Proficiency Assessment	ELA Math	Grade 11: Spring only Grade 12: In the Fall, if needed	Unit Testing Times	Accommodations and Modifications Manual	Federal & State	NJGPA Practice Tests	December 2025	10/6/25- 10/10/25 Makeup Testing: 10/14/25- 10/17/25
PSAT	Math, Reading & Writing	10-12	2 hours and 14 minutes, not including breaks & extended time	Fall 2025 Accommodations and Supports Handbook	National Assessment	PSAT 10 Practice Test	3-4 weeks	10/11/25
NWEA MAP Reading Fluency	Early Literacy Skills Screening Tool	K-3	20 minutes	NWEA MAP Reading Fluency Accommodations and Universal Designated Features	State & Local	N/A	Within 30 days of assessment administration	Fall Administration: 9/8/25-11/12/25 Winter Administration: 01/19/26-02/20/26 Spring Administration: 6/1/26-6/19/26

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MAP Growth	Math ELA Science	Math: Grades K-12 ELA: Grades K-12 Science: Grades 5-12	45 minutes per subject	Accessibility and Accommodations in MAP Growth Features and FAQs	Local	N/A	TBD	Fall Administration: 9/8/25-11/12/25 Winter Administration: 01/19/26-02/20/26 Spring Administration: 6/1/26-6/19/26
New Jersey Student Learning Assessment-Adaptive (NJSLA-A): Fall Field Test	ELA & Math	ELA: 4-10 Math: 4-12 <i>Algebra I, Geometry, or Algebra II based on course completion during the 2024-2025 school year</i>	TBD	NJ Assessment Portal	State & Federal	NJ Assessment Portal	Field Test Results will not be made available	10/27/25-11/14/25 Note: <i>There will be no testing on November 4, 6, 7, or 11, as per NJDOE</i>

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New Jersey Graduation Proficiency Assessment-Adaptive (NJGPA-A): Fall Field Test	ELA & Math	11 and 12	TBD	NJ Assessment Portal	State & Federal	NJ Assessment Portal	Field Test Results will not be made available	10/27/25-11/14/25 Note: <i>There will be no testing on November 4, 6, 7, or 11, as per NJDOE</i>
ACCESS and Alternate ACCESS for ELLs	English Language Proficiency	Access: K-12 Alt. Access: 1-12	No Time Limit	WIDA Accessibility Accommodations	State & Federal	ACCESS Test Practice and Sample Items	June 2026	2/2/26-3/27/26 Makeup Testing: 3/30/26-4/3/26
DLM: Dynamic Learning Map Year End Model	ELA Math Science	ELA & Math: 3-8, and 11 Science: 5, 8, 11	No Time Limit	DLM Accessibility Manual	State & Federal	DLM released testlets	September 2026	4/6/26-5/22/26 Makeup Testing: 05/26/26-5/29/26
NJGPA-A	ELA & Math	11	TBD	NJ Assessments Portal	State & Federal	NJ Assessments Portal	June 2026	3/16/26-3/20/26 Makeup Testing: 3/23/26-3/27/26

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NJSLA-A	ELA Math Science	ELA & Math: Grades 3-8 Algebra I, Geometry & Algebra II: Grades 9-12 based on course enrollment Science: Grades 5, 8, & 11	TBD	NJ Assessments Portal	State & Federal	NJ Assessments Portal	September 2026	4/27/26- 5/22/26 Makeup Testing 5/26/26-5/29/26
NAEP: National Assessment of Educational Progress	ELA & Math	NKP: Grade 4 HMS: Grade 8	2 hours	NAEP Accommodations	Federal	The Nation's Report Card Test Question Library	Results will not be made available	1/26/26-3/20/26
Naglieri General Ability Tests: Verbal, Nonverbal & Quantitative	Gifted and Talented Identification	1, 4 & students in Grades 2-8 new to the district	30 minutes per assessment	N/A	State & Local	N/A	Spring 2026	TBD by District Parental Notification w/ schedule to follow

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Seal of Biliteracy	World Languages	11-12	N/A	N/A	State/Optional	Seal of Biliteracy	3-6 Weeks	Date to be determined within the January to February testing window. Deadline not yet announced
AP Test: Advanced Placement Test	See HS Course Guide	See HS Course Guide	2-3 hours; varies per subject	AP Accommodations Guide	None	AP Sample Questions	July 2026	May 4-8, 2026 & May 11-15 2026 <i>AP coordinators are responsible for notifying students when and where to report for the exams.</i>
ACT	Math, Reading, Writing & Science	10-12	2 hours & 55 minutes	ACT Accommodations	National Assessment/Optional	ACT Resources	3-4 Weeks	September 2025 through July 2026
SAT	Math, Reading & Writing	10-12	3 hours not including breaks and extended time	SAT Accommodations	National Assessment/Optional	SAT Practice and Preparation	3-4 Weeks	August 2025 through June 2026