

September 28, 2023

Dear Parents/Guardians,

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) which 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 help us to examine professional practice and the needs of our students. We continue to work with this information for professional growth and to examine curriculum. As a result, the Hackensack Public Schools assessment schedule is attached. We have also provided the following information about each test.

Please note the following information as you review the document.

- The name of each assessment
- The subject area of the assessment
- The grade levels being assessed by the assessment
- Time allotment for the student to complete the assessment
- Accessibility of accommodation options available to students when necessary (information can be found on links provided)
- Whether the assessment is required by state or federal government, or both
- Information on sample questions and how to understand student's 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,



Robert Sanchez  
Superintendent of Schools



| Assessment      | Subject Area                 | Grade Level                     | Testing Time  | Information about Accommodations & Accessibility Features   | Required by State, Federal, or Local | Sample Questions  | Testing Window   |
|-----------------|------------------------------|---------------------------------|---|---|--------------------------------------|---|--|
| PSAT            | ELA<br>Math                  | 10-11                           | 3-4 hours   | <a href="https://accommodations.collegeboard.org/media/pdf/accommodations-supports-handbook.pdf">https://accommodations.collegeboard.org/media/pdf/accommodations-supports-handbook.pdf</a> | Local                                | <a href="https://satsuite.collegeboard.org/media/pdf/psat-10-practice-test-1.pdf">satsuite.collegeboard.org/media/pdf/psat-10-practice-test-1.pdf</a> | 10/26/23   |
| WIDA ACCESS 2.0 | English Language Proficiency | Access K-12<br>Alt. Access 1-12 | No Time Limit   | <a href="https://wida.wisc.edu/assessment/preparing-students/practice">WIDA Accessibility Accommodations</a>  | State and Federal                    | <a href="https://wida.wisc.edu/assessment/preparing-students/practice">https://wida.wisc.edu/assessment/preparing-students/practice</a>               | 2/5/24-3/29/24<br><br>Specific Schedule to Follow                            |
| NJGPA           | ELA<br>Math                  | 11                              | Two 90 minute Units<br><br>Total Time 180 minutes per subject | Accessibility Features and Accommodations Manual available on the <a href="#">New Jersey Assessments Resource Center</a> under Educator Resources > Test Administration Resources           | State                                | <a href="#">NJGPA Practice Tests</a>  | 10/10/23-10/16/23 (only select students)<br><br>3/11/24 - 3/15/24 (grade 11) |
| DLM             | ELA<br>Math                  | 3-8<br>9-                       | Average overall Time Per Subject:                             | <a href="#">DLM Accessibility Manual</a>  | State and Federal                    | <a href="#">DLM released testlets</a>   | 4/8/24 - 5/31/24   |



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|------------|--------------------------------------|--|---|---|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|---|
|            | Science                              |  | Reading 90-135 minutes<br><br>Writing 10-20 minutes<br><br>Science 90-140 minutes |   |                                      |                                      | Specific Schedule to Follow                         |
| NJSLA      | ELA<br>Math<br>Science               | ELA and Math<br>Grades 3-9<br><br>Science<br>Grades 5, 8, 11 | Available at:<br><a href="#">Unit Testing Times</a>                               | Manual available on the <a href="#">New Jersey Assessments Resource Center</a> under Educator Resources > Test Administration Resources | State and Federal                    | <a href="#">NJSLA Practice Tests</a> | 4/29/24 -5/24/24<br><br>Specific Schedule to Follow |
| NAEP       | ELA or Math                          | Grade 8<br><br>(selected students only)                      | 2 hours   | n/a   | Federal                              | n/a                                  | 1/29/24 - 3/8/24<br>Specific Schedule to follow     |
| COGAT      | Verbal<br>Non-Verbal<br>Quantitative | 2-5  | General 30-45 minutes per section   | n/a   | Local                                | n/a                                  | 9/18/23 - 9/27/23)<br>(selected students only)      |



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|                       |                        |   |               |   |                                      |                  | 1/22/24-<br>2/16/24<br>Specific<br>Schedule to<br>follow    |
| LinkIT!<br>Benchmarks | ELA<br>Math<br>Science | K-12<br>(grades vary for<br>the first window)<br><br>(elementary<br>grades - ELA<br>only) | 45-60 minutes | n/a   | Local                                | n/a              | 11/1/23 -<br>11/8/23<br>2/1/24 - 2/9/24<br>5/1/24 - 5/10/24 |
| NWEA MAP              | Math                   | 2-8   | 30-45 minutes | n/a   | Local                                | n/a              | TBD   |