

2020-2021 Parental Notification of Standardized Assessment Information

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 or within 30 days of any statewide student assessment or commercially developed standardized assessment that will be administered over the course of the school year. If specific details are not yet available, districts may insert “To Be Determined” (“TBD”).

Key:

- **Number of Testing Administrations in Districts** refers to the number of times a particular assessment will be offered during the school year.
- **Testing Mode** refers to how the student will be administered the assessment. The two modes are computer-based, and paper-and-pencil. Some computer-based assessments allow students to take the assessment using paper and pencil. Be sure to inquire about the options if your child has a medical issue that would not allow them to take the assessment on the computer.
- **Testing Time** is the maximum amount of time allotted to students to complete the assessment. Most students finish well in advance of the allotted time.
- **Testing Window** is the period in which districts administer the statewide student assessment. It is not the actual number of days it takes a student to complete the assessment. School districts can choose the specific days within the window to administer the test. Please inquire with your district about the exact testing dates of the assessment.
- **Results Available** refers to date districts receive individualized student results from the assessment vendor. These results should be distributed to students, educators and families as soon as possible.

Assessment Name	Subject Area	Grade Level Tested	Information about Available Accommodations and Accessibility Features	Number of Testing Administrations in District	Testing Mode	Testing Time Allotted per Student	Testing Window	Results Available	Information for Parents/Guardians Regarding the Assessment
New Jersey Student Learning Assessment (NJSLA) - English Language Arts (ELA)/Math Regular Administration	ELA and Math	Grades 3-9	NJSLA Accessibility Features and Accommodations Manual	1	Computer-based with paper-based options for students with disabilities	Unit Testing Times	Cancelled	N/A	For more information please visit the Office of Assessments webpage

NJSLA ELA/Math High School Summer	ELA and Math	9	NJSLA Accessibility Features and Accommodations Manual	1	Computer-based with paper-based options for students with disabilities	Two 90-minute units, Total time 180 minutes per subject	July 26, 2021 to August 6, 2021	TBD	For more information please visit the Office of Assessments webpage
NJSLA Science Administration	Science	Grades 5, 8 and 11	NJSLA Accessibility Features and Accommodations Manual	1	Computer-based with paper-based options for students with disabilities	For grades 5 and 8: Four 45-minute units for a total of three hours. Grade 11: Four 60-minute units for a total of four hours	Cancelled	N/A	For more information please visit the Office of Assessments webpage
Portfolio Appeals		12		1	Paper Administration		April 5, 2021 - June 11, 2021		
Dynamic Learning Maps (DLM) ELA, Math & Science	ELA and Math: 3 through 8, and 11 Science: 5, 8, and 11	Grades 3 through 8 and 11	DLM Accessibility Manual	1	Computer-based		March 8, 2021 - June 11, 2021	TBD	For more information please visit the Office of Assessments webpage
ACCESS and Alternate ACCESS for ELLs	English language proficiency test	ACCESS: K–12 Alt. ACCESS: 1 through 12	WIDA Accessibility Accommodations	1	Paper – Grade K (and by request) Online Grades 1–12 (Writing portion is paper Grades 1–3)	No time limit	April 5, 2021 - June 11, 2021	TBD	Parent Handout Provided in different languages.
Start Strong assessments- ELA/Mathematics/ Science (optional)	ELA, Math, and Science	Grades 3 through 10	Information to be released on Office of Assessments webpage	1	Online only	45–60 minutes per subject assessment	Sept. 28, 2020 to Dec. 14, 2020	Immediately	Information to be released on Office of Assessments webpage

Dynamic Learning Maps (DLM) Instructionally Embedded (IE) Assessments (optional)	ELA, Math, and Science	Grades 3 through 8 and 11	DLM Accessibility Manual	N/A	Online only	10–15 minutes per testlet	Sept. 14, 2020 to Dec. 23, 2020	Immediately	For more information please visit the Office of Assessments webpage
AP Examinations	All Specified Content Areas	High School				90 Minutes	May 3, 2021 to May 14, 2021	June-August	
CoGat	Verbal, Non-Verbal, and Quantitative Ability	2		1	Online	180 Minutes	January, 2021 to February 2021	April	
Iowa Algebra Aptitude Test (IAAT)	Algebra	6 & 7		1	Paper	50 Minutes	January, 2021 to February, 2021	April	