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Re: Updated Parental Notification of Standardized Assessments

Dear Parents/Guardians,

As mentioned previously, the New Jersey State Board of Education approved a proposal to assess students in science in Grade 5, instead of Grade 4, in order to better align to the state’s science standards. As such, students in Grade 5 will be administered a state Science assessment (see updated schedule below). We were recently informed this assessment must be administered over a two-day period. The testing calendar has been updated to reflect this, as detailed below.

To ensure a positive testing experience for students during PARCC testing, the district’s infrastructure trial has been schedule for grades 3 and 6 on Thursday, March 15th. This trial is done to ensure devices, software, and the network are working seamlessly. It will also give students an opportunity to practice using the PARCC Pearson system, prior to test administration. This trial is scheduled for one hour to ensure minimal impact to the instructional day.

Please contact a district administrator with any questions regarding state assessments, at any time.

Assessment Area	Administration Dates/Times	Grade Levels	Requirement	Results Available
PARCC ELA & Math https://parcc.pearson.com/practice-tests/	Computer Administration: April 30 – May7, 2018 Paper Administration: (specific students only) Duration: 9:00am-12:00pm*	Grades 3 & 4	State Requirement	September 2018
PARCC ELA & Math https://parcc.pearson.com/practice-tests/	Computer Administration: May 8 – May 15, 2018 Paper Administration: (specific students only) Duration: 9:00am-12:00pm*	Grades 5 & 6	State Requirement	September 2018
Science http://measinc-nj-science.com/	Computer Administration: May 29 – May 30, 2018 Makeups: June 5 th – 6 th Duration: 9:00am-12:00am*	Grade 5	State Requirement	September 2018

*** If a student is permitted extra time or any other accommodations by their IEP or 504 plan, parent/guardians should contact their case manager or a district administrator for additional details on accommodations and accessibility options.**