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Dear Parents/Guardians,

Elizabeth Public Schools remains committed to providing a high-quality education that prepares its students for college and career success.

Enclosed please find information concerning the Start Strong Fall 2022 administration, updates to the high school graduation requirements, and the 2022-2023 state assessment schedule for Elizabeth Public Schools.

At the elementary and high school levels, school districts are again required to administer the Start Strong assessment during the 2022-2023 school year as part of the overall statewide assessment system. Results from these assessments will assist in providing data to teachers, parents, and schools that help determine student progress. The Start Strong assessments are offered in English Language Arts (ELA) in grades 4-10; mathematics in grades 4-8, as well as Algebra I, Geometry, Algebra II; and science in grades 6, 9, and 12. Tests can be administered in 45-60 minutes and will provide immediate results to educators. Please note that the Start Strong Assessments will not replace Spring 2023 NJSLA testing.

At the high school level, Governor Murphy signed a law requiring the New Jersey Graduation Proficiency Assessment (NJGPA) as a field test for the Class of 2023. However, the law prohibits the results of the field test, a substitute competency test, or portfolio appeal from being used as a prerequisite for graduation for students expected to graduate in 2023. Summer 2022 and Fall 2022 NJGPA administrations have been cancelled and there is no graduation assessment requirement for the Class of 2023.

Graduation assessment requirements remain in place for the class of 2024 and Class of 2025. The NJGPA will be administered to members of the Class of 2024 in March 2023 and for the Classes of 2024 and 2025 in July 2023.

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. On the next pages, please see the Elizabeth Public Schools' standardized assessment schedule for the 2022-2023 school year. For additional details, please refer to the District Assessment Calendar on our website.

Thank you for your continued support and contributions to your child's education. Through our continued partnership, we will ensure that every child achieves excellence.

Best Regards,

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Start Strong Assessments – English Language Arts (ELA), Math, and Science

Subject	Grade Level(s)	Requirement (Federal, State, Local)	Testing time allotted per student	Testing Window	Results Available
ELA	Grades 4-10	State	One 60-minute unit	8/31/2022 to 10/21/2022	To be Determined
Math	Grades 4-8, Algebra I, Geometry, Algebra II	State	One 60-minute unit	8/31/2022 to 10/21/2022	To be Determined
Science	Grades 6, 9, and 12	State	One 60-minute unit	8/31/2022 to 10/21/2022	To be Determined

Available Resources:

- [New Jersey Assessments Resource Center under Start Strong](#)
- [Start Strong Practice Tests](#)
- [Office of Assessments](#)

Dynamic Learning Maps (DLM) Instructionally Embedded (IE) Assessments

Subject	Grade Level(s)	Requirement (Federal, State, Local)	Testing time allotted per student	Testing Window	Results Available
ELA, Math, and Science	Grades 3-8 and 11	State	10-15 minutes per testlet	9/12/2022 to 12/23/2022	Immediately

Available Resources:

- [DLM Accessibility Manual](#)
- [Instructional resources testlets](#)
- [New Jersey DLM](#)

ACCESS and Alternate ACCESS for ELLs

Subject	Grade Level(s)	Requirement (Federal, State, Local)	Testing time allotted per student	Testing Window	Results Available
English Language Proficiency	ACCESS K-12 Alt ACCESS 1-12	State and Federal	No time limit	2/6/2023 to 3/31/2023	To be Determined

Available Resources:

- [WIDA Accessibility Accommodations](#)
- [ACCESS preparing students: practice](#)
- [Parent Handout](#) (Provided in different languages.)

New Jersey Graduation Proficiency Assessment (NJGPA)

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Subject	Grade Level(s)	Requirement (Federal, State, Local)	Testing time allotted per student	Testing Window	Results Available
ELA and Math	Grade 11	State	Two 90-minute units per subject	3/13/2023 to 3/17/2023 Make-up: 3/20/2023 to 3/24/2023	To be Determined

Available Resources:

[New Jersey Assessments Resource Center under Educator Resources > Test Administration Resources NJGPA Practice Tests](#)
[NJGPA webpage on the New Jersey Assessments Resource Center](#)

Dynamic Learning Maps (DLM) Year End (YE) Model

Subject	Grade Level(s)	Requirement (Federal, State, Local)	Testing time allotted per student	Testing Window	Results Available
ELA, Math, and Science	Grades 3-8 and 11	State and Federal	10-15 minutes per testlet	9/12/2022 to 12/23/2022	Immediately

Available Resources:

[DLM Accessibility Manual](#)
[DLM released testlets](#)
[New Jersey DLM](#)

New Jersey Student Learning Assessment (NJSLA) – English Language Arts (ELA), Math, and Science

Subject	Grade Level(s)	Requirement (Federal, State, Local)	Testing time allotted per student	Testing Window	Results Available
ELA	Grades 3-9	State and Federal	Unit Testing Times	5/1/2023 to 5/26/2023	To be Determined
Math	Grades 3-8, Algebra I, Geometry, Algebra II				To be Determined
Science	Grades 5, 8, and 11		Gr 5, 8 Four 45-minute units; Gr 11 Four 60-minute units	Make-up 5/30/2023 to 6/2/2023	To be Determined

Available Resources:

[New Jersey Assessments Resource Center under Educator Resources > Test Administration Resources NJSLA Practice Tests](#)
[Parent Resources webpage on the New Jersey Assessments Resource Center](#)
[NJSLA-S Parent, Student, and Teacher Information Guide.](#)

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National Assessment for Educational Progress (NAEP)

Subject	Grade Level(s)	Requirement (Federal, State, Local)	Testing time allotted per student	Testing Window	Results Available
To be Determined	Grades 4, 8, 12 Students aged 13	State and Federal	To be Determined	Districts and schools selected for the various NAEP assessments taking place in the 2022-23 school year will be contacted by the NAEP State Coordinator with their designated assessment dates.	National Results available on even numbered years. State results available on odd numbered years. No student, school or district results available. nationsreportcard.gov

Available Resources:

[NAEP Accommodations](#)

[NAEP Questions Tool](#)

[Parents' Information webpage](#)

College Board Assessments

Subject	Grade Level(s)	Requirement (Federal, State, Local)	Testing time allotted per student	Testing Window	Results Available
PSAT10 Reading, Writing, Math	Grade 10	Local	2 hours and 45 minutes	10/12/2022 Make-up: 10/27/2022	To be Determined
PSAT/NMSQT Reading, Writing, Math	Grade 11	Local	2 hours and 45 minutes	10/12/2022 Make-up: 10/27/2022	To be Determined
SAT	Grade 12	Local	3 hours	10/12/2022 Make-up: 10/27/2022	To be Determined
SAT	Grade 11	Local	3 hours	3/1/2023	To be Determined
Advanced Placement (AP) Multiple Subjects	Grades 9-12	Local	Varies by test	5/1/2023 to 5/12/2023	To be Determined

Available Resources:

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College Board - SAT, AP, College Search and Admission Tools

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