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Dear Parents, Guardians, and Caregivers

As we welcome another school year, I would like to take this opportunity to provide important assessment information for 2018-2019 school year. As you are aware, we are required by federal regulations to assess our students in English Language Arts/Literacy and Mathematics in grades 3-11 and in Science in grades 5 and 8 as well as Biology. Additionally, all students in grades K-12 who qualify for supports as English Language Learners (ELLs) are required to take the *Assessing Comprehension and Communication in English State-to-State for English Language Learners (ACCESS for ELLs)*.

The New Jersey Department of Education also requires us to administer benchmark assessments throughout the year in all content areas.

We are also continuing to administer the Measures of Academic Progress (MAP®) for identified students and the Developmental Reading Assessment® 2<sup>nd</sup> Edition (DRA2)/Evaluacion del Desarrollo de la Lectura® (EDL) in elementary grades.

The following chart provides some details about the administration(s) of these assessments. You may also visit our website: [www.epsnj.org](http://www.epsnj.org) for continuous updates on assessment information.

I wish you and your family a happy, healthy, and successful school year.

Best Regards,

Amy L. Gil

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DATE	ASSESSMENT	ABBREVIATION	PARTICIPANTS	MANDATE
September 12 – October 5, 2018	Diagnostic Reading Assessment	DRA2	Grades 1-6	District
January 2 – 18, 2019			All Grade K Grades 1-6 below grade level base on Fall administration	
May 13 – June 7, 2019			Grades K-6 Self-Contained SE K-12	
September 12 – October 5, 2018	Evaluación del Desarrollo	EDL	Grades 1-8	District
January 2 – 18, 2019			Grades K-8	
May 13 – June 7, 2019			Grades K-8	
September 17 – October 12, 2018	Measures of Academic Progress	MAP	All self-contained special education (Math & Reading)	District
February 4 – 15, 2019				
May 28 – June 7, 2019				
October 10, 2018	Preliminary Scholastic Aptitude Test/ National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test	PSAT/ NMSQT	Grades 10-11	Nationally Offered
	Scholastic Aptitude Test SchoolDay	SAT SchoolDay	Grade 12	Nationally Offered
November 19, 2018	Preliminary Scholastic Aptitude Test 8/9	PSAT 8/9	All Grade 8 Students	District
January 28 – March 8, 2019	National Assessment of Educational Progress <i>Reading, Mathematics, Writing</i>	NAEP	Grades 4, 8, 12 Selected Schools	Federal
February 19 – April 12, 2019	Assessing Comprehension and Communication in English State-to- State for English Language Learners	ACCESS for ELLs	K-12	Federal
March 6, 2019	Scholastic Aptitude Test SchoolDay	SAT SchoolDay	Grade 11	Nationally Offered
April 3 – May 31, 2019	Dynamic Learning Maps	DLM	Grades 3-8, 11	Federal And State
April 8 – May 28, 2019 <b>Varied Dates outlined on EPS District Assessment Calendar</b>	State Assessments, ELA and Math		Grades 3-8	Federal and State
	State Assessments, ELA and Math		High School: To be determined	Federal and State
May 6 – 17, 2019	Advanced Placement Exams	AP	Grades 9-12 Enrolled Registered Students	Nationally Offered
May 6 – June 7, 2019	New Jersey Student Learning Assessment – Science	NJ SLA-S	Grades 5, 8, 11	Federal and State
May 13, 2019	Preschool IDEA Oral Language Proficiency Test	Pre IPT	Pre-K	District

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