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Superintendent of Schools

October 3, 2025

Dear EPS Parents/Guardians of Students in Grades 4-11:

Please be advised that there will be an **early dismissal for all students on Friday, October 24, 2025**, to accommodate a mandatory professional development half-day for our teaching staff due to a transition to an adaptive format in state assessments. All students and staff will report at their regularly scheduled time.

Early Dismissal Schedule		
Grade Level	Arrival Time	Dismissal Time
Pk-8	8:20 AM	12:15 PM
9-12	7:45 AM	11:45 AM

The New Jersey Department of Education (NJDOE) recently announced a transition to an adaptive format for the statewide assessments in English Language Arts and Mathematics. This required professional development on October 24 is essential to prepare our teachers for the administration of the upcoming field tests for these new assessments, as mandated by the NJDOE.

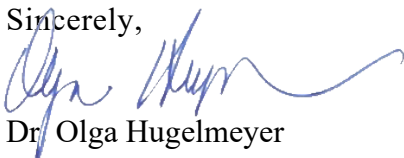
The state assessments that will be administered as a field test are:

- NJGPA-Adaptive (New Jersey Graduation Proficiency Assessment-Adaptive)
- NJSLA-Adaptive (New Jersey Student Learning Assessment-Adaptive)

Field Test Dates		
Assessment	Grades Tested	Dates
NJSLA-Adaptive	4-8	November 12-14
NJSLA-Adaptive & NJGPA-Adaptive	9-11	October 29-30

We appreciate your cooperation as we ensure our educators are fully prepared to support our students through this transition in statewide testing.

Sincerely,



Dr. Olga Hugelmeyer

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