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Dear Parent/Guardian,

As your child progresses through the school year, we want to determine what he or she knows and how well he or she can perform in specific academic areas. We are writing to inform you that Glassboro Public Schools will administer a variety of assessments, including the NJSLA (New Jersey Student Learning Assessment). These state required assessments provide critical insights to your child's academic progress and ability. The detailed results provided by the state help parents understand their child's strengths and needs. Schools can use this information to better plan instruction, support, and enrichment for the students.

In New Jersey, the NJSLA for English Language Arts and Math is required for all students in grades 3 to 8, and for grades 9 and 10 when enrolled in ELA 9, ELA 10, Algebra 1, Geometry, and Algebra 2. Students in grade 11 will participate as well, if enrolled in these courses and have not already met graduation requirements.

ACCESS for ELL's 2.0 is an English language proficiency assessment that is administered to Kindergarten through 12th grade students who have been identified as English Language Learners. Rest assured that students with identified learning needs will be provided necessary accommodations per their individual plans (IEP/504).

We ask that you review the testing calendar, and please encourage your child to do his or her best. We also ask you to ensure your child is present and on time during testing. Additionally, if you have any questions, we encourage you to reach out to your child's building principal for clarification.

Thank you for your continued support and cooperation!

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Sincerely,

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Glassboro School District Notification of Standardized Assessments 2019 - 2020

| Assessment | Grade Level | Date / Range | Results Available | Additional Information |
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| Kindergarten Screening / BDI-2 | K | September | Immediately | |
| DIBELS | K-3 | Sept, Jan, May | Immediately | |
| Fountas and Pinnell Benchmark Assessments | K-8 | Oct, Jan, May | Immediately | |
| Math Benchmarks | K-3 | Nov, Feb, May | | |
| MAP | 3-11 Math & Reading Classes | Sept, Jan, May | Immediately | |
| Technology Portfolio Assessment | 4, 8 | May/June 2020 | June 2020 | |
| NJSLA – Math & ELA | 3-8, | 4/20/20 — 5/29/20 | Fall 2020 | Practice items: https://nj.digitalitemlibrary.com/ |
| NJSLA – Fall Block | Alg 1, Alg 2, Geom, ELA 9, ELA10 9, 10 | 12/2/19 – 1/17/20 | Winter 2020 | Practice items: https://nj.digitalitemlibrary.com/ |
| NJSLA – Science | 5, 8, 11 | 5/4/20 - 5/15/20 | Fall 2020 | |
| Dynamic Learning Maps (DLM) | 3-8, 11 ELA, Math & Science | 4/1/20 - 5/29/20 | | |
| ACCESS 2.0 | K-12 English Language Learners | March - May | Summer 2020 | Practice items: https://wida.wisc.edu/assess/access/preparing-students/sample-audio |
| PSAT | | 10/30/19 & 4/2020 | 12/31/19 | Test is given during school hours. See Mrs. Rynkiewicz or Ms. Faulkner. Sample items: http://collegereadiness.collegeboard.org/psat-nmsqt-psat-10/practice |
| ASVAB | | 9/17/19 & 4/1/20 | 3 weeks after testing | Test is given during school hours. See Mrs. Rynkiewicz or Ms. Faulkner. Test is free. |
| SAT | | 10/5/19, 11/2/19, 12/7/19, 3/14/20, 5/2/20, 6/6/20 | About 1 month after testing | Visit www.sat.collegeboard.org to register. Cost is about \$50. See your counselor if you receive free or reduced lunch, you may qualify for a free waiver. |
| Act | | 10/26/19, 12/14/19, 2/8/20, 4/4/20, 6/13/20, 7/18/20 | About 1 month after testing | Visit <u>www.actstudent.org</u> to register. Cost is about \$50. See your counselor if you receive free or reduced lunch, you may qualify for a free waiver. |
| ACCUPLACER | | By appointment only | Immediately following test | Test is taken through RCGC. You must apply to RCGC even if you do not plan on attending. Once accepted, you can make an appointment to test. Test is free one time. Test can only be taken twice. Sample items: https://accuplacer.collegeboard.org/educator/next-generation |

^{*}If a student is permitted extra time or any other accommodations according to his/her IEP or 504 plan, parents/guardians are encouraged to contact the guidance office for additional details on accommodations and accessibility options.

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ELA and Mathematics Assessment Graduation Requirements for the Classes of 2019, 2020, 2021, and 2022

This document reflects the high school graduation assessment requirements for the Classes of 2019, 2020, 2021, and 2022, pursuant to an amended Consent Order received by the NJDOE from the Appellate Division of the Superior Court of New Jersey on June 5, 2019.

The requirements for the Class of 2019, including the cut scores, remain unchanged from the requirements that were applied to the Classes of 2017 and 2018. These requirements now apply to the Classes of 2020, 2021, and 2022.

| Pathways Available | English Language Arts/Literacy (ELA) | Mathematics |
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| First Pathway: Demonstrate proficiency in the high school end-of-course NJSLA/PARCC assessments in ELA-10 and/or Algebra I | NJSLA/PARCC ELA Grade 10 ≥ 750 (Level 4) | NJSLA/PARCC Algebra I ≥ 750 (Level 4) |
| Second Pathway: Demonstrate proficiency in English language arts and/or mathematics by meeting the designated cut score on one of the alternative assessments | NJSLA/PARCC ELA Grade 9 ≥ 750 (Level 4), or NJSLA/PARCC ELA Grade 11 ≥ 725 (Level 3) or SAT Critical Reading (taken before 3/1/16) ≥ 400, or SAT Evidence-Based Reading and Writing Section (taken 3/1/16 or later) ≥ 450, or SAT Reading Test (taken 3/1/16 or later) ≥ 22, or ACT Reading or ACT PLAN Reading¹ ≥ 16, or ACCUPLACER WritePlacer ≥ 6, or ACCUPLACER WritePlacer ESL ≥ 4, or PSAT10 Reading or PSAT/NMSQT Reading (taken before 10/1/15) ≥ 40, or PSAT10 Reading or PSAT/NMSQT Reading (taken 10/1/15 or later) ≥ 22, or ACT Aspire Reading¹ ≥ 422, or ASVAB-AFQT Composite ≥ 31 | NJSLA/PARCC Geometry ≥ 725 (Level 3), or NJSLA/PARCC Algebra II ≥ 725 (Level 3) or SAT Math (taken before 3/1/16) ≥ 400, or SAT Math Section (taken 3/1/16 or later) ≥ 440, or SAT Math Test (taken 3/1/16 or later) ≥ 22, or ACT or ACT PLAN Math¹ ≥ 16, or ACCUPLACER Elementary Algebra ≥ 76, or Next-Generation ACCUPLACER Quantitative Reasoning, Algebra, and Statistics (QAS) (beginning January 2019)² ≥ 255, or PSAT10 Math or PSAT/NMSQT Math (taken before 10/1/15) ≥ 40, or PSAT10 Math or PSAT/NMSQT Math (taken 10/1/15 or later) ≥ 22, or ACT Aspire Math¹ ≥ 422, or ASVAB-AFQT Composite ≥ 31 |
| Third Pathway: Demonstrate proficiency in English language arts and/or mathematics through Portfolio Appeals | Meet the criteria of the NJDOE Portfolio Appeal for ELA | Meet the criteria of the NJDOE Portfolio Appeal for Math |

¹Test is no longer administered but can be used for the graduating year.

For questions or concerns, please reach out to assessment@doe.nj.gov.

² Beginning on Monday, January 28, 2019, classic ACCUPLACER tests were no longer available. QAS replaced ACCUPLACER Elementary Algebra.