



September 2024

Dear Parent/Guardian:

Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:7C-6.6 all school districts are required to provide information for State assessments and commercially-developed standardized assessments that will be administered for the school year. This information will include:

- The subject area of the assessment and grade levels covered by the assessment;
- The date or range of potential dates for the administration of the assessment;
- The time allotted for the student to take and complete the assessment;
- Information on how and when the student and his/her parent or guardian can access both sample questions and answers to the assessment and the student's results; and
- Whether the assessment is required by the state or federal government, or both.

Attached, please find the Paramus Public School District assessment calendar for the 204-2025 school year.

If you have any questions, please contact your child's principal.

Sincerely,

Sean P. Adams
Superintendent of Schools

Enclosure



Paramus Public Schools

2024-2025 Parental Notification of Standardized Assessments

Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:7C-6.6, school districts must, by October 1 of each year, provide parents or guardians information on any State assessment or commercially-developed standardized assessment that will be administered in that school year. Therefore, the following table contains the information for the Paramus Public School District. Unless otherwise indicated, students take each assessment once during the school year.

Assessment Name	State/Federal Requirement	Assessment Subject Area(s)	Grade Level Tested	Testing Mode	Testing Time Allotted per Student	Testing Window	Results Available	Resources/ Sample Questions
Dynamic Learning Maps (DLM) Year End (YE) Model	Assess knowledge of curriculum for students enrolled in specific ELA and mathematics courses and meet state and federal requirements under ESSA	ELA, Math, and Science	ELA & Math: Grades 3-8, and 11 Science Grade 5, 8, and 11 Select Special Education students only	Online	150-285 minutes	Spring Administration: 4/7/25 - 5/30/25	TBD	Dynamic Learning Map Information Understanding the Dynamic Learning Map Score Report
Cognitive Abilities Assessment	Measures reasoning abilities and general thinking and problem-solving skills for local use in supporting student interventions and enrichment	Verbal, Nonverbal, and Quantitative Reasoning	Grades 1, 3, 5 and 7	Paper	120-180 minutes	10/7/24-10/13//24	Fall 2024	CogAT Parent Information
Dynamic Indicators of Basic Early Literacy Skills (DIBELS)	A universal screener that assesses the acquisition of literacy skills for local use in supporting student interventions	ELA	Grades K-2	Paper	5-7 minutes	Fall 2024 Winter 2025 Spring 2025	Immediately	DIBELS information
Preliminary Scholastic Aptitude Test (PSAT)	Reading, Writing, and Math for Grades 10 & 11 (student participation optional)	ELA and Math	Grades 10 & 11	Electronic via Bluebook on student devices	2 hours, 45 minutes	10/17/24	Fall/Winter 2024-2025	https://collegereadiness.collegeboard.org/psat-nmsqt-psat-10/practice

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New Jersey Graduation Proficiency Assessment (NJGPA)	Assess knowledge of curriculum for enrolled ELA and mathematics courses and meet state and federal requirements under ESSA	ELA and Math	Grade 11	Online	90 minutes per subject assessment	Fall Administration 10/7/24-10/11/24 Spring Administration 3/10/25 - 3/21/25 Summer Administration 7/21/25 - 7/31/25	TBD	Parent Resources on NJDOE State Assessment Website
National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP)	Districts and schools selected for various NAEP assessments by the NJ Department of Education; administered through the National Council of Educational Statistics	Mathematics or Reading	Grade 4	Online	TBD	1/27/25-3/7/25	TBD	National Assessment of Educational Progress
New Jersey Student Learning Assessment (NJSLA)	Assess knowledge of curriculum for enrolled ELA and mathematics courses and meet state and federal requirements under ESSA	ELA and Math	ELA: Grades 3-9 for and Math: Grades 3 through High School (Algebra I, Geometry or Algebra II as needed based upon accountability requirements)	Online	Grade 3: 2 hours, 30 minutes for ELA and 3 hours for Math Grades 4-9: 3 hours for both ELA and Math	Spring Administration 4/28/25 - 5/30/25	Summer 2025	https://nj.mypearsonsupport.com/practice-tests/
New Jersey Student Learning Assessment- Science (NJSLA-S)	Assess knowledge of high school level science and meet state and federal requirements under ESSA	Science	Grades 5, 8, and 11	Online	Grades 5 & 8: 3 hours Grade 11: 4 hours	Spring Administration 4/28/25 - 5/30/25	Summer 2025	Parent Guide (See Science Guides section on the site) Practice Tests

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ACCESS and Alternate ACCESS for ELLS	Determine level of language proficiency and monitor progress of English Language Learners; Mandatory for all students who qualify for the ELL program	English Language Proficiency	<u>ACCESS:</u> K-12 ELL students only <u>Alternate ACCESS:</u> Grades 1-12 ELL students only	Online	Up to 230 minutes	2/3/25- 4/4/25	Summer 2025	https://wbte.drcedirect.com/WIDA/portals/wida
Advanced Placement (AP) tests	Various subjects based on student's participation in an AP course during grades 10-12	Various subject areas	Grades 9-12 students enrolled in an Advanced Placement class	Paper	2-3 hours per assessment	5/5/25 - 5/16/25	Summer 2025	https://apstudent.collegeboard.org/takingtheexam/preparing-for-exams
Linkit! Benchmark Assessments	Obtain benchmark levels in Language arts, mathematics, and science for local use in supporting student interventions and enrichment	ELA, Math, and Science	Grades 3-11	Online	<u>Gr. 3-4:</u> 45-60 min. per assessment <u>Gr. 5-11:</u> 60-75 min. per assessment	<u>ELA:</u> Fall. 2024 Winter 2025 <u>Math</u> Fall 2025 Winter 2025 Spring 2025 <u>Science:</u> Fall 2024 Winter 2025	Results available in Linkit parent portal approximately one week after testing is complete	https://drive.google.com/file/d/18YS3e2ynfmNgAHFVWprgVbJRNMHpMn1u/view?usp=sharing
AAPPL ALTA	Biliterate students in grades 11-12 (student participation optional)	Language proficiency tests for Seal of Biliteracy	Grade 12; select students	Online Interview & Essay	Unlimited	11/13/24	March 2025	https://www.language-testing.com/aappl https://www.altalang.com/language-testing/

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College Board Accuplacer	Reading, Writing, and Math for Grades 11-12 and students conditionally accepted into ECADP (student participation optional)	ELA and Math	Grade 12; select students	Online	No time limit; students generally take 90 minutes	Spring 2025	One week after completion	https://accuplacer.collegeboard.org/student/inside-the-test
ASVAB	Verbal, Math, Science/Technical, and Spatial for Grades 11-12 (student participation optional) Career testing for SOL/JROTC career	Verbal, Math, Science, Technical, and Spatial	Grade 12: select students	Online	Approx. 2.5 hours	Spring 2025	Approx. 2 weeks after completion	http://official-asvab.com/samples_app.htm

NOTE: Special education and 504 plan students are permitted accommodations and modifications on state assessments if specified in their educational plans. Similarly, English Language Learners may be tested with one or more accommodations or modifications to the testing procedures.