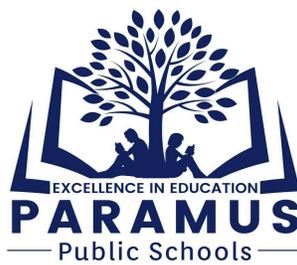


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Dear Parent/Guardian:

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 2025-2026 school year.

Please note the addition of the following changes:

- New Jersey Student Learning Assessment, Adaptive (NJSLA-Adaptive), and New Jersey Graduation Proficiency Assessment, Adaptive (NJGPA-Adaptive) Fall Field Tests.
- NJSLA-Adaptive and NJGPA Adaptive replacing the New Jersey Student Learning Proficiency Assessment (NJSLA) and New Jersey Graduation Proficiency Assessment (NGPA), respectively, in the spring of 2026.
- Memorial School has been selected for the 2026 National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP) for Grade 4, Mathematics and Reading.

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

Sincerely,

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Superintendent of Schools

Enclosure



Paramus Public Schools

2025-2026 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: 4/6/26 - 5/22/26	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	10/6/25-10/10//25	Fall 2025	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-3	Paper	5-7 minutes	Fall 2025 Winter 2026 Spring 2026	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	10/8/25	Fall/Winter 2025-2026	https://collegereadiness.collegeboard.org/psat-nmsqt-psat-10/practice

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
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 11and 12 NOTE: Participation will include only students in the class of 2026 who were not successful on ELA and/or Mathematics previously, or who need to participate to meet the state graduation assessment requirement.	Online	90 minutes per subject assessment	Fall Administration 10/6/25-10/10/25	TBD	Parent Resources on NJDOE State Assessment Website
New Jersey Graduation Proficiency Assessment - Adaptive (NJGPA-Adaptive) Fall Field Test	Assess knowledge of curriculum for enrolled ELA and mathematics courses and meet state and federal requirements under ESSA	ELA and Math	Grade 11and 12	Online	TBD-Adaptive Format; times may vary between 60-90 minutes per unit	Fall Field Test 10/27/25-11/14/25 NOTE: There will be no testing on November 4, 6, 7, or 11.		Parent Resources on NJDOE State Assessment Website
New Jersey Graduation Proficiency Assessment - Adaptive (NJGPA-Adaptive)	Assess knowledge of curriculum for enrolled ELA and mathematics courses and meet state and federal requirements under ESSA	ELA and Math	Grade 11	Online	TBD-Adaptive Format; times may vary between 60-90 minutes per unit	Spring Administration 3/16/26-3/20/26	Summer 2026	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 (Memorial School)	Online	TBD	1/26/26-3/20/26	TBD	National Assessment of Educational Progress

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
New Jersey Student Learning Assessments-Adaptive (NJSLA-Adaptive) Fall Field Test	Assess knowledge of curriculum for enrolled ELA and mathematics courses and meet state and federal requirements under ESSA	ELA and Math	<u>ELA: Grades 4-10</u> <u>Math: Grade 4 through high school (Algebra I, Geometry, Algebra II) based on course completion during the 2024-20205 school year</u>	Online	TBD-Adaptive Format; times may vary between 60-90 minutes per unit	<u>Fall Field Test</u> 10/27/25-11/14/25 NOTE: There will be no testing on November 4, 6, 7, or 11.	Summer 2026	Parent Resources on NJDOE State Assessment Website
New Jersey Student Learning Assessment-Adaptive (NJSLA-Adaptive)	Assess knowledge of curriculum for enrolled ELA and mathematics courses and meet state and federal requirements under ESSA	ELA and Math	<u>ELA:</u> Grades 3-9 <u>Math:</u> Grades 3 through High School (Algebra I, Geometry or Algebra II as needed based upon accountability requirements)	Online	TBD-Adaptive Format; times may vary between 60-90 minutes per unit	<u>Spring Administration</u> 4/27/26 - 5/22/26	Summer 2026	Parent Resources on NJDOE State Assessment Website
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	<u>Grades 5 & 8:</u> 3 hours <u>Grade 11:</u> 4 hours	<u>Spring Administration</u> 4/27/26 - 5/22/26	Summer 2026	<u>Parent Guide</u> (See Science Guides section on the site) <u>Practice Tests</u>

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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	2/2/26- 3/27/26	Summer 2026	https://wbte.drcedirect.com/WIDA/portals/wida
Advanced Placement (AP) tests	Various subjects based on a 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	5/4/26 - 5/15/26	Summer 2026	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 2-11	Online	<u>Gr. 2-4:</u> 45-60 min. per assessment <u>Gr. 5-11:</u> 60-75 min. per assessment	<u>ELA:</u> Fall. 2025 Spring 2026 End of Year 2026 (Grade 2 only) <u>Math</u> Fall 2025 Winter 2025 (MS & HS) Spring 2026 End of Year 2026 (Grade 2 only) <u>Science:</u> (MS & HS) Fall 2025 Winter 2025 <u>WIDA for ELLs</u> Winter 2025	Results available in Linkit parent portal approximately one week after testing is complete	https://drive.google.com/file/d/18YS3e2ynfmNgAHFVWprgybJRNMHpMn1u/view?usp=sharing

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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	11/19/25	March 2026	https://www.language-testing.com/aappl https://www.altalang.com/language-testing/
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 2026	One week after completion	https://accuplacer.collegeboard.org/student/inside-the-test
Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery (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 2026	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.