

## **East Rutherford School District**

All Children Can Succeed

September 30, 2022

Dear Parents/Guardians:

Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:7C-6.6, the East Rutherford School District respectfully shares with you, information pertaining to the assessment schedule for the 2022-2023 school year. Please see below for the types of assessments that will be administered this school year, as well as details about each assessment's content, administration, duration, and available accommodations and/or accessibility options. In addition, we are providing you with information that will guide you to practice resources for each assessment, as well as their anticipated result release dates.

To satisfy both the state and federal testing requirements, the East Rutherford Schools will be administering the New Jersey Student Learning Assessments for English Language Arts/Literacy (NJSLA-ELA), for Mathematics (NJSLA-M), and for Science (NJSLA-S), which measures the extent of where students are, or on track to being college or career ready in each of the three respective areas. The test in English Language Arts/Literacy assesses student proficiency in reading and comprehending a range of grade-appropriate material independently. It also provides a measure of how effectively a student writes when using and/or analyzing sources. The test in Mathematics measures student competencies in the major and additional/supporting content in mathematics for grade or course, as well as student grade-appropriate mathematical reasoning and modeling skills. The test in Science is the state's assessment for New Jersey public school students in grades 5 & 8, which measures student proficiency with the New Jersey Student Learning Standards in Science examining students' performance of scientific and engineering practices in the context of crosscutting concepts and disciplinary core ideas.

Additionally, the East Rutherford School District will also be administering the state-mandated Start Strong Assessments. These assessments will be taken in grades 4-8 in the areas of English Language Arts (4<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup>), Mathematics (4<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup>) and Science (6<sup>th</sup>). The assessments are based on a subset of prioritized prior-year academic standards, include the same accessibility features and accommodations as the NJSLA and will be administered in 45-60 minute blocks. For more information regarding the Start Strong Assessments, kindly click the link that follows: <a href="https://www.nj.gov/education/assessment/resources/parents/docs/StartStrong\_AdministrationInformation\_Parents.pdf">https://www.nj.gov/education/assessment/resources/parents/docs/StartStrong\_AdministrationInformation\_Parents.pdf</a>

Please utilize the New Jersey Department of Education's Families Portal link and Resource Center link below for additional information for the assessments in the above-mentioned areas.

Families Portal: <a href="https://nj-results.pearsonaccessnext.com/login">https://nj-results.pearsonaccessnext.com/login</a> New Jersey Student Learning Assessments Resource Center: <a href="https://nj.mypearsonsupport.com/ForParent/">https://nj.mypearsonsupport.com/ForParent/</a>

You will find a chart outlining the time frame and units for each subject/grade level listed next.

| ASSESSMENT   | ADMINISTRATION<br>DATE/TIME  | GRADE<br>LEVELS                       | RESULTS<br>PROVIDED                                 |
|--|--|---------------------------------------|---|
| NWEA MAP https://www.nwea.org/   | MCK<br>09/26/22 to 10/15/22<br>01/15/22 to 02/15/23<br>05/01/22 to 05/30/23<br>LNC<br>01/15/23 to 02/15/23<br>05/01/23 to 05/30/23 | K-5                                   | October<br>2022,<br>February<br>2023 & June<br>2023 |
| START STRONG https://www.nj.gov/education/assessment/  | FST: 09/27/22-09/28/22<br>LNC: 09/22/22- 9/23/22   | 4-8                                   | November<br>2022                                    |
| DYNAMIC LEARNING ASSESSMENT (DLM SPRING ) https://www.state.nj.us/education/title1/accountability/progress/15 /Parents.pdf | All Schools<br>04/03/23 to 05/26/23  | 3-8<br>ELA & Math<br>5 & 8<br>Science | September<br>2023                                   |
| DLM Instructionally Embedded Assessments (DLM FALL)  | All Schools<br>09/1/22 to 12/23/22   | 3-8<br>ELA & Math<br>5 & 8<br>Science | Winter 2023   |
| ACCESS for ELLs 2.0 https://www.nj.gov/education/bilingual/ells/20/handout.htm   | All Schools K-8<br>02/06/23 to 03/31/23  | K-8 English<br>Language<br>Learners   | June 2023   |
| NJSLA - ELA https://nj.mypearsonsupport.com/ForParent/   | FST: 05/16/23-05/23/23<br>LNC: 05/01/23 - 05/26/23<br>MCK: 05/01/23 - 05/19/23   | 3-8                                   | September 2023                                      |
| NJSLA- Math https://nj.mypearsonsupport.com/ForParent/   | FST: 05/16/23-05/23/23<br>LNC: 05/01/23 - 05/26/23<br>MCK: 05/01/23 - 05/19/23   | 3-8                                   | September 2023                                      |
| NJSLA- Algebra I https://nj.mypearsonsupport.com/ForParent/  | <b>FST</b> : 05/16/23-05/23/23   | 8 Algebra<br>Track                    | September<br>2023                                   |
| NJSLA- Science https://nj.mypearsonsupport.com/ForParent/  | FST: 05/16/23-05/23/23<br>LNC: 05/01/23 - 05/26/23   | 5 & 8                                 | September<br>2023                                   |

Note that the English Language Arts/Literacy (NJSLA-ELA) and Mathematics (NJSLA-M) testing is computer/device based and will take place at grade levels 3 through 8 between May 1, 2023 through May 26, 2023. The New Jersey Student Learning Assessment for Science (NJSLA-S), testing is also computer/device based and will take place at grades 5 and 8 only. Details pertaining to your child's school/grade level administration dates will be forthcoming from your building principal as the testing window approaches. Your child's NJSLA-Math, ELA, and Science results will be shared with you by September of the next school year or within 30 days of the district's receipt of them.

The district will continue to ensure full compliance with all of the Individualized Education Plans (IEPs) of its students throughout each assessment administration. All available modifications, accommodations, and accessibility options will be provided as permitted by each assessment, including extended time and modified testing environments. If your child has an IEP or 504 plan, your child's case manager will be directly involved in assuring that all available modifications and accommodations are provided throughout the assessment administration process.

Should you have any questions, require further assistance, or need more detailed information, do not hesitate to reach out to your child's principal, school counselor, and/or case manager where applicable, for individualized support.

Sincerely,

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Superintendent of Schools

## **FAMILY RESOURCES**

New Jersey Student Learning Assessments Practice Tests: <a href="https://nj.mypearsonsupport.com/practice-tests/">https://nj.mypearsonsupport.com/practice-tests/</a>

New Jersey Department of Education Digital Item Library:

https://nj.digitalitemlibrary.com/home