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Dear Parents/Guardians:

The statewide assessment system, the Partnership for Assessment of Readiness for College and Careers (PARCC) begins for specific grade levels next week. On the reverse side of this letter you will find a schedule with specific administration dates for each grade level. PARCC is the assessment used in New Jersey in both English Language Arts and Math. These tests are designed to measure whether students are on track in their learning for success after high school. Our District uses the results on these tests as one of the metrics in evaluating our programs and services. Also, it is important to note that some secondary school choice programs may use your child's PARCC scores as an admission requirement during the application process.

Throughout the school year students have been preparing for the PARCC as they work with the New Jersey Student Learning Standards in English Language Arts and Math. As always, it is important that students get a good night's sleep and have a healthy breakfast so that they can do their best on the assessments. Our school cafeteria will continue to offer breakfast for students for \$1.20 or free/reduced costs for eligible students. We strongly encourage students to participate in this program.

Finally, our students in grades four and eight will be taking the New Jersey Assessment of Skills and Knowledge in Science on May 31st. You have already received a copy of the Parent's Guide where you can find additional information about this assessment.

We have included information about the PARCC assessment with this letter to review some key information about the test. Also, we offer information on our District website under the PARCC Resources link in the right column on the main page.

Thank you for all you do for your child and our school community. Please ask your building principal if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Brian M. Pruitt
Superintendent of Schools

PARCC Testing Window Schedule

Testing sessions are scheduled to start in the morning for each day. **Please be sure to have your students in school and on time for each testing date.** Make-up sessions are scheduled for students who miss the regular administration dates. Students will take the assigned sessions in both ELA and Math. All testing sessions have been scheduled throughout the district in available computer lab space and on Chromebooks for these assessments.

Grade Level	Assessment Dates
Grade 3	ELA May 1 – May 3 Math May 9 – May 12
Grade 4	ELA May 4 – May 8 Math May 9 – May 12
Grade 5	ELA April 4 – April 6 Math May 4 – May 9
Grade 6	ELA April 4 – April 6 Math May 4 – May 8
Grade 7	ELA April 26 – April 28 Math May 10 – May 12
Grade 8	ELA April 26 – April 28 Math May 10 – May 12