

2020-2021 Sterling High School Assessment Calendar

New Jersey school districts, charter schools and renaissance school projects are required by statute (*N.J.S.A. 18A: 7C-6.6*) to annually notify parents or guardians by October 1 or within 30 days of any statewide student assessment or commercially developed standardized assessment that will be administered over the course of the school year. If specific details are not yet available, districts may insert “To Be Determined” (“TBD”).

Key:

- **Number of Testing Administrations in Districts** refers to the number of times a particular assessment will be offered during the school year.
- **Testing Mode** refers to how the student will be administered the assessment. The two modes are computer-based, and paper-and-pencil. Some computer-based assessments allow students to take the assessment using paper and pencil. Be sure to inquire about the options if your child has a medical issue that would not allow them to take the assessment on the computer.
- **Testing Time** is the maximum amount of time allotted to students to complete the assessment. Most students finish well in advance of the allotted time.
- **Testing Window** is the period in which districts administer the statewide student assessment. It is not the actual number of days it takes a student to complete the assessment. School districts can choose the specific days within the window to administer the test. Please inquire with your district about the exact testing dates of the assessment.
- **Results Available** refers to date districts receive individualized student results from the assessment vendor. These results should be distributed to students, educators and families as soon as possible.

Sample template that districts may customize for presenting standardized student assessment information for 2020-21.

Assessment Name	Subject Area	Grade Level Tested	Information about Available Accommodations and Accessibility Features	Number of Testing Administrations in District	Testing Mode	Testing Time Allotted per Student	Testing Window	Results Available	Information for Parents/Guardians Regarding the Assessment
New Jersey Student Learning Assessment (NJSLA) English language arts (ELA)/ Mathematics High School Fall Block	ELA and Math	Grades 9 & 10	NJSLA Accessibility Features and Accommodations Manual	1	Computer-based	Two 90-minute units, Total time 180 minutes per subject	3/15-6/11	TBD	For more information please visit the Office of Assessments webpage
NJSLA ELA/Math Spring Administration	ELA and Math	Grades 9 & 10	NJSLA Accessibility Features and Accommodations Manual	1	Computer-based	Two 90-minute units, Total time 180 minutes per subject	3/15-6/11	TBD	For more information please visit the Office of Assessments webpage

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NJSLA Science Administration	Science	Grade 11	NJSLA Accessibility Features and Accommodations Manual	1	Computer-based	Four 60-minute units for a total of four hours	3/15-6/11	TBD	For more information please visit the Office of Assessments webpage
Dynamic Learning Maps (DLM)	ELA, Math, and Science	Grade 11	DLM Accessibility Manual	1	Computer-based		TBD	TBD	For more information please visit the Office of Assessments webpage
ACCESS for ELLs	English language proficiency test	9–12	WIDA Accessibility Accommodations	1	Online	No time limit	2/16-5/21	TBD	Parent Handout Provided in different languages.
LinkIt! Benchmark Assessments	ELA, Math	Grades 9-11	Information to be released on Office of Assessments webpage	3 Benchmark A (pre-assessment) Benchmark B (mid-year assessment) Benchmark C (summative assessment)	Online only	45–60 minutes per subject assessment	Week of 9/14/20 Week of 11/16/20 Week of 1/18/21 Week of 2/8/21 Week of 3/29/21 Week of 6/7/21	Immediately	LinkIt! Benchmarks