

**SCOTCH PLAINS – FANWOOD PUBLIC SCHOOLS
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Dear Parents/Guardians,

Pursuant to *N.J.S.A. 18A:7C-6.6*, school districts must provide parents/guardians with information regarding any State assessment and commercially-developed standardized assessment that will be administered throughout the school year.

Both the state and federal government require annual testing for students in grades 3 - 8 for English Language Arts (ELA) and Mathematics. Additionally, high school students are required to be tested in at least one course for ELA and Math. Attached you will find a *Summary of Standardized Testing* for the 2016-2017 school year.

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

Sincerely,



Kate Rosander
District Test Coordinator

**Scotch Plains – Fanwood Public Schools
Summary of Standardized Testing (2016-2017)**

Assessment & Subject Area	Dates of Administration & Duration	Grades Covered	Requirement	Results Available
Cognitive Abilities Test (CogAT)	<u>Administration:</u> Oct 18-20, 2016 (Grade 3); March 7-9, 2017 (Grade 5) <u>Duration:</u> 1 hour/day	Grades 3 & 5	N/A	6 weeks after administration
National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP) in Civics, Geography, Math, Reading, US History or Writing	<u>Administration Window:</u> January 30 – March 3, 2017 <u>Duration:</u> 90 min	Sampling of Grade 8 students	N/A	N/A
NJ Assessment of Skills & Knowledge (NJASK) - Science ^	<u>Administration:</u> May 31, 2017 <u>Make-up Administration:</u> June 7, 2017 <u>Duration:</u> 60 min* (Gr. 4); 80 min* (Gr. 8)	Grades 4 & 8	N/A	September 2017
NJ Biology Competency Exam (NJBCT)	<u>Administration:</u> May 31 & June 1, 2017 <u>Make-up Administration:</u> June 7 – 8, 2017 <u>Duration:</u> 8:15am-10:30am*	1st time enrollment in <i>Biology I</i> at the high school, all levels	Passing Score as determined by the state	September 2017
PARCC English Language Arts (ELA) 3-5^	<u>Computer-based:</u> March 27 – May 19, 2017 <u>Paper-Based:</u> March 27 – April 7, 2017 <u>Duration:</u> 3 units, 75-90 min/unit*	Grades 3 - 5	N/A	September 2017
PARCC Math 3-5^	<u>Computer-based:</u> March 27 – May 19, 2017 <u>Paper-Based:</u> March 27 – April 7, 2017 <u>Duration:</u> 4 units, 60 min/unit*	Grades 3 - 5	N/A	September 2017
PARCC English Language Arts (ELA) 6-8^	<u>Computer-based:</u> March 27-May 19, 2017 <u>Paper-Based:</u> March 27 – April 7, 2017 <u>Duration:</u> 3 units, 90-110 min/unit*	Grades 6 - 8	N/A	September 2017
PARCC Math 6-8^	<u>Computer-based:</u> March 27-May 19, 2017 <u>Paper-Based:</u> March 27 – April 7, 2017 <u>Duration:</u> 3 units, 80 min/unit*	Grades 6 - 8	N/A	September 2017
PARCC ELA 9^	<u>Computer-based:</u> March 27-May 19, 2017 <u>Paper-Based:</u> March 27 – April 7, 2017 <u>Duration:</u> 3 units, 90-110 min/unit*	Enrollment in <i>English I</i> at the high school, all levels	Passing score of 750 or higher, Level 4	September 2017

PARCC ELA 10[^]	<u>Computer-based:</u> March 27 – May 19, 2017 <u>Paper-Based:</u> March 27 – April 7, 2017 <u>Duration:</u> 3 units, 90-110 min/unit*	Enrollment in <i>English II</i> at the high school, all levels	Passing score of 750 or higher, Level 4	September 2017
PARCC ELA 11[^]	<u>Computer-based:</u> March 27 – May 19, 2017 <u>Paper-Based:</u> March 27 – April 7, 2017 <u>Duration:</u> 3 units, 90-110 min/unit*	Enrollment in <i>English III</i> at the high school, all levels	Passing score of 725 or higher, Level 3	September 2017
PARCC Algebra I[^]	<u>Computer-based:</u> March 27 – May 19, 2017 <u>Paper-Based:</u> March 27 – April 7, 2017 <u>Duration:</u> 3 units, 90 min/unit*	Enrollment in <i>Math 8</i> and/or <i>Algebra I</i> at the high school, all levels	Passing score of 750 or higher, Level 4	September 2017
PARCC Geometry[^]	<u>Computer-based:</u> March 27 – May 19, 2017 <u>Paper-Based:</u> March 27 – April 7, 2017 <u>Duration:</u> 3 units, 90 min/unit*	Enrollment in <i>Algebra and Analytic Geometry</i> at the high school, all levels	Passing score of 725 or higher, Level 3	September 2017
PARCC Algebra II[^]	<u>Computer-based:</u> March 27 – May 19, 2017 <u>Paper-Based:</u> March 27 – April 7, 2017 <u>Duration:</u> 3 units, 90 min/unit*	Enrollment in <i>Algebra II</i> at the high school, all levels	Passing score of 725 or higher, Level 3	September 2017
PSAT[^]	<u>Administration:</u> October 19, 2016 <u>Duration:</u> 3 hours*	Grades 10 & 11	N/A	December 2016
University of Iowa Algebra Aptitude Test	<u>Administration:</u> June 2017 (TBD) <u>Duration:</u> 1 hour	Grade 6	N/A	Summer 2017

Additional Testing as per student's program:

Assessment & Subject Area	Dates of Administration & Duration	Grades Covered	Requirement	Results Available
ACCESS for ELL[^]	<u>Administration:</u> Feb 20 – April 14, 2017 <u>Duration:</u> 4 units, 30-65 / unit *	Students who qualify for ESL program, K-12	One of the criteria used to exit student from program	August 2017
Accuplacer	<u>Administration:</u> May 2017 (TBD) <u>Duration:</u> 8:15am-11:30am	Student interest; seniors attending Community College; seniors in need of meeting state graduation requirements	Accuplacer Write Placer score of 6 or higher; Accuplacer Elementary Algebra score of 76 or higher	2 weeks after administration

Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery (ASVAB)	<u>Administration:</u> Nov 4, 2016 & May 2017 (TBD) <u>Duration:</u> 8:15am-11:30am	Student interest; seniors in need of meeting state graduation requirements	Composite score of 31 or higher	2 weeks after administration
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Alternative Assessments as per student's IEP:

Assessment & Subject Area	Dates of Administration & Duration	Grades Covered	Requirement	Results Available
Alternative Proficiency Assessment (APA) - Science ^	<u>Collection Periods:</u> Sept 1 – Nov 11, 2016 and Dec 5, 2016 – Feb 10, 2017	Grades 4, 8, and the year the student takes HS Biology	NA	Summer 2017
Dynamic Learning Maps (DLM) ELA & Math ^	<u>Administration:</u> April 3 – May 19, 2017	Grades 3-8 and 11	NA	TBD by NJDOE

^ State-mandated

* If a student is permitted extra time or any other accommodation by their IEP, parent/guardians should contact their elementary principal or middle school / high school guidance office for additional details on accommodations and accessibility.

Resources:

NAEP - <https://nces.ed.gov/nationsreportcard/>

NJASK - <http://www.state.nj.us/education/assessment/njask/>

NJBCT - <http://www.state.nj.us/education/assessment/hs/njbct.shtml>

PARCC – www.parcconline.org

PARCC Accommodations and Accessibility Features - www.parcconline.org/assessments/accessibility/manual

PARCC Practice Tests - <http://www.parcconline.org/assessments/practice-tests> and <https://parcc.pearson.com/practice-test/>