



**Galloway Township Public Schools**  
*"Where Children and Learning Come First"*

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Dear Parents and Guardians:

Beginning in the Fall of 2016, New Jersey code (N.J.S.A. 18A:7C-6.6) required school districts to provide parents and guardians information on any State assessment or commercially-developed standardized assessment that will be administered in that school year. This letter serves as our notification to you.

Some assessments are required by State or Federal government, while other assessments provide specific information that help teachers design instruction and learning activities. Below is a list of assessments being administered in Galloway with links to additional information.

If you have any questions about these assessments, please contact your child's school. As needed, you will be referred to the appropriate district level administrator.

Sincerely,

Annette C. Giaquinto

**PARCC State Assessment**

<b>Grade</b>	<b><u>Name of Assessment</u></b>	<b><u>Testing Date or Range of Dates</u></b>	<b><u>Time</u></b>	<b><u>Required by State/ Federal Government</u></b>	<b><u>Results Available</u></b>
3	PARCC ELA	May 2-4	90 min/day	Yes	September 2018
3	PARCC MATH	April 30 – May 1	120 min/day	Yes	September 2018
4	PARCC ELA	May 9-11	90 min/day	Yes	September 2018
4	PARCC MATH	May 7-8	120 min/day	Yes	September 2018
5	PARCC ELA	May 9-11	90 min/day	Yes	September 2018
5	PARCC MATH	May 7-8	120 min/day	Yes	September 2018
6	PARCC ELA	May 2-4	110 min/day	Yes	September 2018
6	PARCC MATH	April 30 – May 1	160 min/day	Yes	September 2018
7	PARCC ELA	May 2-4	110 min/day	Yes	September 2018
7	PARCC MATH	May 2-4	80 min/day	Yes	September 2018
8	PARCC ELA	May 9-11	110 min/day	Yes	September 2018
8	PARCC MATH or Algebra I	May 9-11	90 min/day	Yes	September 2018

For information and sample items on PARCC: <https://parc.pearson.com/sample-items/>

\* If a student is permitted extra time or any other accommodations by their IEP/504, the accommodation options are discussed at annual meetings.

## NJ State Science Assessment

<b>Grade</b>	<b><u>Name of Assessment</u></b>	<b><u>Testing Date or Range of Dates</u></b>	<b><u>Time</u></b>	<b><u>Required by State/ Federal Government</u></b>	<b><u>Results Available</u></b>
5	NJ State Science Assessment	TBD	TBD	Yes	TBD
8	NJ State Science Assessment	TBD	TBD	Yes	TBD

For information on State Science Assessment: <http://www.state.nj.us/education/aps/cccs/science/assessment.htm>

### Access for ELLs

(for students in our English as a Second Language program)

<b>Grade</b>	<b><u>Name of Assessment</u></b>	<b><u>Testing Date or Range of Dates</u></b>	<b><u>Time</u></b>	<b><u>Required by State/ Federal Government</u></b>	<b><u>Results Available</u></b>
K-8	Access for ELLs	March 5 – April 13	4 Sessions 30- 60 minutes each	Yes	September 2018

For information on Access for ELLs: <http://www.state.nj.us/education/bilingual/ells/20/handout.htm>

### Alternative Assessment

(for identified special education students)

<b>Grade (s)</b>	<b><u>Name of Assessment</u></b>	<b><u>Testing Date or Range of Dates</u></b>	<b><u>Time</u></b>	<b><u>Required by State/ Federal Government</u></b>	<b><u>Results Available</u></b>
3-8	Dynamic Learning Maps (DLM)	April 4- June 1	Varies by student	Yes	September 2018

For information on DLM: <http://dynamiclearningmaps.org/content/information-parents>

### Dynamic Indicators of Early Literacy Skills (DIBELS)

<b>Grade</b>	<b><u>Name of Assessment</u></b>	<b><u>Testing Date or Range of Dates</u></b>	<b><u>Time</u></b>	<b><u>Required by State/ Federal Government</u></b>	<b><u>Results Available</u></b>
K	DIBELS	Sept/Feb/May	15 min	No	Oct/Mar/June
1	DIBELS	Sept/Feb/May	20 min	No	Oct/Mar/June
2	DIBELS	Sept/Feb/May	20 min	No	Oct/Mar/June

For information on DIBELS: <https://dibels.uoregon.edu/docs/dibelsparentguide.pdf>

### Cognitive Abilities Test (CogAT)

<b>Grade</b>	<b><u>Name of Assessment</u></b>	<b><u>Testing Date or Range of Dates</u></b>	<b><u>Time</u></b>	<b><u>Required by State/ Federal Government</u></b>	<b><u>Results Available</u></b>
2	CogAT	February	3 Sessions 40 minutes each	No	April 2018

For information on CogAT: <http://www.hmhco.com/hmh-assessments/ability/cogat-7>