



Middle Township Public Schools

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Dear Parents/Guardians:

Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:7C-6.6, beginning in the Fall of 2016, all school districts must provide parents or guardians certain information on any State assessment or commercially-developed standardized assessment that will be administered in that school year.

As part of the district's ongoing commitment to ensure parents are fully informed about certain information on any state assessment or commercially-developed standardized assessment to be administered during the school year, please review the following chart of the upcoming assessments for 2016-17. Included in this chart is the subject area, the testing window with approximate daily testing times, and the timeline for when results of the assessment will be made available to district. Additionally, links for student/parent resources are also included to better support you in understanding the framework of these assessments.

Please note that the administration times noted below are testing "windows" and may not reflect the actual time that individual students will be testing. Specific testing times and dates are subject to change.

Should you have any questions regarding the assessments noted in the attached chart, please reach out to your child's principal.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads 'Kathleen K. McDonald'.

Kathleen K. McDonald
Director of Curriculum and Instruction

Middle Township Public School District Standardized Assessment Overview (Pursuant to N.J.S.A 18A:7C-6.6)

Assessment Subject Area	Administration Dates	Students/ Grades Covered	Duration	Requirement Source	Results Available	Assessment Information and Practice
PARCC ELA	March 27, 2017 – May 19, 2017	Grades 3-8	Grade 3: 255 min Grades 4/5: 270 min Grades 6-8: 310 min	Federal and State Mandated Participation	Sept. 2017	http://www.state.nj.us/education/assessment/parents/
PARCC Math	March 27, 2017 – May 19, 2017	Grades 3-8	240 min	Federal and State Mandated Participation	Sept. 2017	http://www.state.nj.us/education/assessment/parents/
PARCC ELA	April 24, 2017 – June 5, 2017	Grade 9, 10, 11	310 min	Federal and State Mandated Participation	Sept. 2017	http://www.state.nj.us/education/assessment/parents/
PARCC Math	April 24, 2017 – June 5, 2017	Algebra I Geometry Algebra II	270 min	Federal and State Mandated Participation	Sept. 2017	http://www.state.nj.us/education/assessment/parents/
New Jersey Assessment of Skills and Knowledge (NJASK) Science	May 31, 2017 Make-up Day: June 7, 2017	Grade 4 and Grade 8	Grade 4: 60 min Grade 8: 120 min	State Mandated Participation	Sept. 2017	Grade 4: https://www.measinc.com/nj/Downloads/NJASK/2016_PSTG_G4_Science.pdf Grade 8: https://www.measinc.com/nj/Downloads/NJASK/2016_PSTG_G8_Science.pdf
New Jersey Biology Competency Test (NJBCT)	May 31, 2017 – June 1, 2017 Make-up Day: June 7, 2017 – June 8, 2017	Students Enrolled in Biology	264 min	State Mandated Participation	Sept. 2017	https://www.measinc.com/nj/Downloads/NJBCT/NJBCT_Student_Preparation_Booklet_2016.pdf

Assessment Subject Area	Administration Dates	Students/ Grades Covered	Duration	Requirement Source	Results Available	Assessment Information and Practice
Dynamic Learning Maps (DLM)	April 3, 2017 – May 19, 2017	Alternate Assessment for Students with Significant Cognitive Impairment Grades 3-8 and 11	ELA: 4-6 testlets - 10-15 min. each Math: 6-7 testlets – 5-10 min. each	Federal and State Mandated Participation	Sept. 2017	http://www.dynamiclearningmaps.org/content/information-parents
Alternate Proficiency Assessment (APA) – Science	Sept. 1, 2016 – Feb. 1, 2107	Alternate Assessment for Significant Cognitive Impairment Grades 4, 8, and High School	Portfolio Assessment	State Mandated Participation	Sept. 2017	https://nj-servicepoint.questarai.com/Login.aspx
Access 2.0 for ELLs	February 20, 2017 – April 14, 2017	English Language Learners Grades K-12		State Mandated Participation	July 2017	https://wbte.drcedirect.com/WIDA/portals/wida https://www.wida.us/assessment/per-sample-items/Sample%20Items%20User%20Guide.pdf
Advanced Placement Exams	May 1, 2017 – May 12, 2017	Students enrolled in AP Courses	4 hours each	Optional Participation	Aug. 2017	https://apstudent.collegeboard.org/takingtheexam/about-exams
STAR Renaissance Benchmark Testing	Fall: Sept. 7 - Oct. 7, 2016 Winter: Jan. 3 - Feb. 1, 2017 Spring: May 1 – May 31, 2017	All Students	Varied Times	District	Fall: Oct. 2016 Winter: Feb. 2017 Spring: June 2017	http://www.renaissance.com/products/assessment/star-360/star-custom-sample-items/

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Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery (ASVAB)	<i>Multiple Administrations:</i> Sept. 28, 2016 Nov. 3, 2016 Dec. 8, 2016	Grade 10, 11, 12	<i>Paper:</i> 149 min. <i>Computer:</i> 154 min.	Optional Participation Necessary for Armed Services	Upon Completion	http://www.asvabtestreview.com/
PSAT	Oct. 19, 2016	Grades 9 - 11	165 min.	Optional Participation Recommended for College	Jan. 2017	https://collegereadiness.collegeboard.org/psat-nmsqt-psat-10/practice
SAT	<i>Multiple Administrations:</i> Oct. 1, 2016 Jan. 28, 2016 May 6, 2016	Grades 9 – 12	230 min.	Optional Participation Recommended for College	3-4 Weeks After Completion	https://collegereadiness.collegeboard.org/sat/practice
ACT	<i>Multiple Administrations:</i> Sept. 10, 2016 June 10, 2016	Grades 9 - 12	215 min.	Optional Participation Recommended for College	4 – 8 Weeks After Completion	http://www.act.org/content/act/en/products-and-services/the-act/test-preparation.html
National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP)	January 23, 2017 March 3, 2017 <i>Make-up Dates:</i> March 6, 2017 – March 10, 2017	Grade 4, 8 and 12	60 min.	State and Federal Mandates for Randomly Selected School Districts	6 Months	http://nces.ed.gov/nationsreportcard/about/booklets.aspx

Extra time and any other accommodations noted in a student’s IEP or 504 Plan will be adhered to accordingly. Parents/guardian’s may contact their student’s case manager for more specific details.

NJDOE Testing Accommodation Page: <http://www.state.nj.us/education/assessment/accommodations/>

