

Kenilworth Public Schools



Assessment Program 2018-2019

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Brearley Assessment Calendar 2018-2019

September	Grade 7-12	Open Window	ELL Assessment
October	Grade 11-12	October 6	SAT* **
	Grades 7-8	October 10	MAP* **
	Grade 9-11	October 10	PSAT/NMSQ* **
	Grade 12	October 10	ASVAB*
December	Grade 7-12	December 6	Assessment/Bench Mark #1 and Analysis Completed
	Grade 11-12	December 8	ACT* **
January	Grades 7-8	January 10	MAP* **
	Grade 8	Open Window	NAEP* **
	Grade 12	Open Window	PARCC Portfolio*
February	Grade 11-12	February 10	ACT* **
	Grade 8	Open Window	NAEP* **
	Grade 12	Open Window	PARCC Portfolio* **
March	Grade 7-12	March 14	Assessment/Bench Mark #2 and Analysis Completed
	Grade 7-12	Open Window	ACCESS ELL* **
	Grade 8	Open Window	NAEP* **
	Grade 12	Open Window	PARCC Portfolio* **
April	Grades 7, 8	April 10	MAP**
	Grade 11-12	April 14	ACT* **
	Grade 7-8,11	Open Window	DLM* **
	Grade 7-11	Open Window	PARCC EOY - Computer Based* **
	Grade 12	Open Window	PARCC Portfolio*
May	Grade 11-12	May 4	SAT Subject Test
	Grade 11, 12	Open Window	AP Exams* **
	Grades 7-8,11	Open Window	DLM* **
	Grade 8	Open Window	NJSLA Science Test - Computer Based* **
	Grade 11	Open Window	NJSLA Science Test - Computer Based* **
	Grade 12	Open Window	PARCC Portfolio* **
June	Grade 11-12	June 1	SAT* **
	Grade 11-12	June 1	SAT Subject Tests* **
	Grade 7-12	June 14, 17-19	Final Exams
	Grade 7-12	June 19	Assessment/Bench Mark #3 and Analysis Completed

*Selected Students

** If a student is permitted extra time on any other accommodation by their IEP, the parent/guardian should contact their guidance counselor and case manager for additional details on accommodations and accessibility options.

Please see <http://www.state.nj.us/education/assessments/parents/GradReq.pdf> for the complete information on demonstrating proficiency in English Language Arts and Mathematics to meet the graduation requirement. This information is under review and possible revision by the NJDOE. Updated information will be shared as it becomes available.



Harding Assessment Calendar 2018-2019

September	Grades K-2	Open Window	DIBELS*
	Grade 1-6	Open Window	ELL Assessment
	Grade K-5	Open Window	Fountas and Pinnell Benchmark Assessments
October	Grades 2-6	October 10	MAP* **
December	Grade K-6	December 6	Assessment/Bench Mark #1 and Analysis Completed
January	Grades 2-8	January 10	MAP* **
	Grades K-2	Open Window	DIBELS*
	Grade K-5	Open Window	Fountas and Pinnell Benchmark Assessments
	Grade 8	Open Window	NAEP* **
February	Grade 8	Open Window	NAEP* **
March	Grade K-6	March 14	Assessment/Bench Mark #2 and Analysis Completed
	Grade 7-12	Open Window	ACCESS ELL* **
	Grade 8	Open Window	NAEP* **
April	Grade 3-6	Open Window	PARCC EOY - Computer Based* **
	Grades 3-6	Open Window	DLM* **
	Grades 2-8	Open Window	MAP* **
May	Grades 3-6	Open Window	DLM* **
	Grades K-2	Open Window	DIBELS*
	Grade K-5	Open Window	Fountas and Pinnell Benchmark Assessments
	Grade 5	Open Window	NJSLA Science Test - Computer Based* **
June	Grade 6	June 14, 17-19	Final Exams
	Grade K-6	June 19	Assessment/Bench Mark #3 and Analysis completed

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KENILWORTH PUBLIC SCHOOLS PROGRAM OF ASSESSMENT 2018-2019

American College Testing (ACT)

State Mandated: No, but are accepted by most colleges in place of or in addition to the SAT's

Requirement: For enrollment in all four-year colleges and universities in place of or in addition to the SAT's

Grade: 11 & 12

Time of Year: October and June

Purpose: The ACT Test is designed to measure a student's academic readiness for college. The ACT assesses a student's academic readiness in the areas of English, reading, mathematics and science. There is a cost of \$43.00 per exam.

Results Available: November 2018 and June 2019

Assessing Comprehension and Communication in English for English Language Learners

State Mandated: Yes

Requirement: NJDOE

Grade: K-12

Time of Year: March

Purpose: The ACCESS for ELL students is an English language proficiency assessment given to students who have been identified as English language learners. The ACCESS for ELL is given annually as the WIDA to monitor students' progress in acquiring academic English.

Results Available: December 2018

Advanced Placement Exams

State Mandated: No

Requirement: Colleges and universities for students who have taken AP courses during the school year

Grade: HS

Time of Year: May



Purpose: The AP Exam is the final step after a year in an AP class. AP is designed to measure how well a student has mastered the content and skills of the course. A successful score could earn a student credit and advanced placement in college. There is a cost of \$95.00 per exam.

Results Available: June 2019

Assessments/Benchmarks

State Mandated: Yes

Requirement: QSAC

Grade: PreK-12

Time of Year: December, March, and June

Purpose: Benchmarks are common assessments given throughout the school year at specified times. A benchmark communicates a strong message to students, teachers, and parents about what knowledge and skills are important to learn, what knowledge is valued, and how learning will be measured. It is important to assess students using more than traditional multiple-choice formats, which usually focus on facts. Constructed response items, such as essays, extended multi-part questions, portfolios, or even experiments, can provide important windows into students' thinking and understanding. A benchmark can serve instructional planning purposes by providing information needed to adjust instruction to meet students' learning needs. A benchmark would not include items or concepts not previously taught.

Results Available: January, April, June 2019

Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery (ASVAB)

State Mandated: No

Requirement: No

Grade: Grades 11-12

Time of Year: October and April

Purpose: The Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery (ASVAB) is the most widely used multiple-aptitude test battery in the world. As an aptitude test, the ASVAB measures your strengths, weaknesses, and potential for future success. The ASVAB also provides you with career information for various civilian and military occupations and is an indicator for success in future endeavors whether you choose to go to college, vocational school, or a military career. It is comprised of results in Arithmetic Reasoning (AR), Math Knowledge (MK), and Verbal Composite (VE) x 2. Your Verbal Composite score is a combination of your Word Knowledge and Paragraph Comprehension scores.

Results Available: October 2018 and April 2019



Dynamic Learning Map (DLM)

State Mandated: Yes

Requirement: NJDOE

Grade: 3-8 and 11

Time of Year: April through May

Purpose: The Dynamic Learning Maps (DLM) is an adaptive computer-based assessment that will be administered to the one percent of students with the most significant cognitive impairments. The assessment examines student progress towards achieving the New Jersey Learning Standards (NJLS) in English Language Arts and Mathematics.

Results Available: June 2019

Dynamic Indicators of Basic Early Literacy Skills

State Mandated: No

Requirement: Kenilworth Board of Education

Grade: K-2

Time of Year: September, January and May

Purpose: DIBELS is a set of procedures and measures for assessing the acquisition of early literacy skills from kindergarten through second grade. DIBELS is designed to be short (one minute) fluency measures used to regularly monitor the development of early literacy and early reading skills. DIBELS provides indicators of phonemic awareness, alphabetic principle, accuracy and fluency with connected text, reading comprehension, and vocabulary. DIBELS utilizes and identifies children experiencing difficulty in the acquisition of basic early literacy skills and provides timely support to assist and prevent the occurrence of later reading difficulties.

Results Available: November 2018, March 2019 and June 2019

ELL Assessment

State Mandated: Yes

Requirement: NJDOE

Grade: K-12

Time of Year: September (As needed throughout the school year)



Purpose: The WIDA MODEL (Measure of Developing English Language) is an assessment that can provide an initial measure of a student’s English language proficiency in Grades 1–12. The purpose of this assessment is to help educators make decisions and identify whether a student is a candidate for English language support services.

Results Available: May 2019

Exams

State Mandated: No

Requirement: QSAC

Grade: 6-12

Time of Year: June

Purpose: Final examinations are a reflection of the learning experience, each examination challenge students at their various levels of cognitive abilities. Exams evaluate a students' mastery of specific skills taught in each course. Students are required to demonstrate mastery of specific skills; apply critical thinking at various levels from recall to synthesis and evaluation; express understanding of course content in a convincing and conclusive manner.

Results Available: June 2019

Fountas and Pinnell Benchmark Assessments

State Mandated: No

Requirement: Kenilworth Board of Education

Grades: K-5

Time of Year: September, January and May

Purpose: Fountas and Pinnell Benchmark Assessments determine students' independent and instructional reading levels, allow teachers to observe student reading behaviors one-on-one, engage in comprehension conversations that go beyond retelling, and make informed decisions that connect assessment to instruction.

Results Available: November 2018, March and June 2019

MAP

State Mandated: No

Requirement: QSAC



Grade: 2-8

Time of Year: October, January and April

Purpose: MAP is a computer adaptive test, which assess reading, language usage, and math. MAP creates a personalized assessment that measures student performance throughout the school year. MAP identifies strength and weaknesses which allows a teacher to plan classroom instruction efficiently.

Practice Tests: <https://www.nwea.org/resources/parent-toolkit/>

English Language Arts Unit Tests: Two (2) in English Language Arts

Mathematic Unit Tests: One (1) in Mathematics per course

Unit Test Times: All Unit Test times are sixty (60) minutes

Results Available: November 2018, March and June 2019

National Assessment of Educational Progress

State Mandated: Yes

Requirement: NJDOE

Grade: 4 & 8 (Every Four Years)

Time of Year: January through March

Purpose: NAEP is a computer based assessment of mathematics, reading, science, writing, the arts, civics, economics, geography, U.S. history, and technology and engineering (TEL). NAEP, produces the Nation's Report Card, to inform the public about the academic achievement of elementary and secondary students in the United States. Sponsored by the Department of Education, NAEP collects and reports academic achievement at the national level, and for certain assessments, at the state and district level.

Results Available: May 2019

New Jersey Student Learning Assessment Science

State Mandated: Yes

Requirement: NJDOE

Grade: 5

Time of Year: May-June



Purpose: The NJSLA-Science is a state test given to students to measure whether they have gained the knowledge and skills identified in the K-5 science section of the Next Generation Science Standards (NGSS).

Practice Tests: <http://www.state.nj.us/education/assessment/njsla/ref/>

Science Unit Tests: Four (4) in Science

Unit Test Times: All Unit Test times are thirty (30) minutes

Results Available: June 2019

New Jersey Student Learning Assessment Science

State Mandated: Yes

Requirement: NJDOE

Grade: 8

Time of Year: May - June

Purpose: The NJSLA-Science is a state test given to students to measure whether they have gained the knowledge and skills identified in in the 6-8 science section of the Next Generation Science Standards (NGSS).

Practice Tests: <http://www.state.nj.us/education/assessment/njsla/ref/>

Science Unit Tests: Four (4) in Science

Unit Test Times: All Unit Test times are forty-five (45) minutes

Results Available: June 2019

New Jersey Student Learning Assessment Science

State Mandated: Yes

Requirement: NJDOE

Grade: 11

Time of Year: May-June

Purpose: The NJSLA-Science is a state test given to students to measure whether they have gained the knowledge and skills identified in Biology, Chemistry and Physics sections of the Next Generation Science Standards (NGSS).



Practice Tests: <http://www.state.nj.us/education/assessment/njsla/ref/>

Science Unit Tests: Four (4) in Science

Unit Test Times: All Unit Test times are sixty (60) minutes

Results Available: June 2019

Partnership for Assessment and Readiness for College and Careers

State Mandated: Yes

Requirement: NJDOE

Grade: 3-11

Time of Year: April-May

Purpose: The PARCC is a computer based assessment of Mathematics and English Language Arts/Literacy that measure whether students are on track to be successful in college and their careers and if students are meeting the New Jersey Learning Standards (NJLS). These assessments also assist teachers to customize learning to meet their student's needs. Starting with the Class of 2021, students will need to meet the high school graduation assessment requirements by passing PARCC ELA Grade 10 and PARCC Algebra I.

Practice Tests: <http://www.parcconline.org/assessments/practice-tests>

English Language Arts Unit Tests: Three (3) in English Language Arts per course

Mathematic Unit Tests: Three (3) in Mathematics per course

Unit Test Times: All Unit Test times are sixty (60) minutes

Results Available: August 2019

Partnership for Assessment and Readiness for College and Careers Portfolio Appeal

State Mandated: Yes

Requirement: NJDOE

Grade: 12

Time of Year: January-May

Purpose: The PARCC Portfolio Appeal allows students who did not take the PARCC Assessments, or were unable to achieve a passing score on the PARCC Assessments, or unable to achieve a passing score on



the alternative standardized exams will need to successfully complete the Portfolio Appeal Process in order to earn a high school diploma.

Results Available: May 2019

Preliminary Scholastic Assessment Test/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test

State Mandated: No

Requirement: Recommended by Kenilworth Board of Education

Grade: In Kenilworth grades 9-11

Time of Year: October

Purpose: The PSAT/NMSQT assesses the critical reading, mathematics, and writing skills students need for college and beyond. The PSAT/NMSQT provides detailed feedback on skills, access to scholarships and personalized online tools, and is an excellent practice for the SAT.

Practice Tests: <https://collegereadiness.collegeboard.org/psat-nmsqt-psat-10>

English Language Arts Unit Tests: One (1) in English Language Arts

English Language Arts Unit Test Times: Sixty (60) minutes

Mathematic Unit Tests: One (1) in Mathematics

Mathematics Unit Test Times: Seventy (70) minutes

Results Available: November 2018

Scholastic Assessment Test

State Mandated: No

Requirement: For enrollment in all four year colleges and universities

Grade: 11 & 12

Time of Year: October and June

Purpose: The SAT is designed to measure a student's academic readiness for college. The SAT assesses the critical reading, language, mathematics and writing skills students need for college and beyond. The SAT provides a path to opportunities through financial support and scholarships. There is a cost of \$46.00 per exam.

Results Available: November 2018 and June 2019



Scholastic Assessment Test Subject Tests

State Mandated: No

Requirement: For enrollment in all four-year colleges and universities

Grade: 11 & 12

Time of Year: May and June

Purpose: The SAT Subject Tests are designed to measure a student's academic readiness for college. The SAT Subject Tests assess a student's academic readiness in the areas of English, history, language, mathematics and science. There is a cost of \$49.00 per exam.

Results Available: June 2019



NEW JERSEY BOARD OF EDUCATION ASSESSMENT GRADUATION POLICY AND GUIDELINES

Dear Parents and Guardians,

The New Jersey State Board of Education approved the threshold score points ('cut points') to define the performance levels in the PARCC assessment program. Attached you will find the now updated list of assessments and their various score points that members of the class of 2019 can use to demonstrate that they have met the competency testing requirements needed for a regular high school diploma with the appropriate threshold scores for PARCC assessments included. (Special Education students, who's Individualized Education Plans (IEPs) specify an alternative way to demonstrate proficiencies, will continue to follow the graduation requirements set forth in their IEPs.) Assessments will be given in both English Language Arts and Mathematics and students will be assessed during the month of April.

Below are the threshold scores for the PARCC assessments. Please note that the threshold scores are different for different assessments. In ELA 9 and ELA 10, the threshold score corresponds to the "Meeting Expectations" performance level. In ELA 11, the threshold score corresponds to the "Approaching Expectations" performance level. In Algebra I, the threshold score corresponds to the "Meeting Expectations" performance level. In Geometry and Algebra II, the threshold scores correspond to the "Approaching Expectations" performance level.

The Study Commission on the Use of Statewide Assessments will be making recommendations shortly regarding graduation requirements for the class of 2020 and thereafter. The New Jersey Department of Education will then move those recommendations to a regulatory proposal for State Board adoption.

- Students must receive a combined passing score for the EOY assessment of the NJPARCC in both tested areas (Math and ELA). Students receiving a passing score will meet the graduation requirement. It is not clear if a student receives a passing score this year and is a freshman or sophomore, if he or she will have to have an additional passing score in subsequent years.
- The state has provided alternate passing scores on Substitute Competency Test. These tests include the PSAT, SAT, ACT, ACT Aspire, ASVAB-AFQT Score and the Accuplacer.
- One of the Substitute Competency Test that can be used to satisfy the graduation requirement is the PSAT. **All students are provided the opportunity to take the PSAT at David Brearley on Wednesday October 10, 2018.** It is extremely important for all students to do their best on the PSAT since it can meet the graduation requirement with a sufficient score
- The SAT and ACT tests are standardized college entrance tests that many students already take. There is an expense associated with taking the SAT and/or ACT test that is the responsibility of the student to incur.



- The ASVAB is a multiple-aptitude battery of tests that measures developed abilities and helps predict future academic and occupational success in the military. We offer this test on a voluntary basis to our students free of charge in the spring.
- The Accuplacer is a suite of tests that determines a student’s knowledge in math, reading and writing as he or she prepares to enroll in college-level courses. Many county colleges use the Accuplacer to place students. We administer the Accuplacer at David Brearley and/or a partnership with Union County College to administer the test. This will provide students with another alternative assessment for students who may not achieve a passing score on the NJPARCC.

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS FOR CLASS OF 2019

As presented by the NJDOE the classes of 2018 and 2019, students will be able to satisfy the state requirements of demonstrating proficiency in English Language Arts and Mathematics in the following ways:

English Language Arts	Mathematics
PARCC ELA Grade 9 ≥ 750 (Level 4) <i>or</i>	PARCC Algebra I ≥ 750 (Level 4) <i>or</i>
PARCC ELA Grade 10 ≥ 750 (Level 4) <i>or</i>	PARCC Geometry ≥ 725 (Level 3) <i>or</i>
PARCC ELA Grade 11 ≥ 725 (Level 3) <i>or</i>	PARCC Algebra II ≥ 725 (Level 3) <i>or</i>

PARCC Scores: School districts expect to be notified of the “cut scores” for use in the New Jersey graduation determination in the Fall. Guidance about graduation requirements beyond the class of 2019 will also be forthcoming at that time.

Substitute Competency Tests: Students who do not achieve a passing score on a PARCC assessment, or who do not take a PARCC assessment because they have already completed the coursework, will be considered to have demonstrated proficiency if they meet or exceed one of the scores below.

Substitute Assessments	
English Language Arts	Mathematics
Accuplacer Write Placer ≥ 6 <i>or</i>	Accuplacer Elementary Algebra ≥ 76 <i>or</i>
ACT Aspire Reading ≥ 422 <i>or</i>	ACT Aspire Math ≥ 422 <i>or</i>
ACT Reading or ACT PLAN Reading ≥ 16 <i>or</i>	ACT or ACT PLAN Math ≥ 16 <i>or</i>
ASVAB-AFQT Composite ≥ 31 <i>or</i>	ASVAB-AFQT Composite ≥ 31 <i>or</i>
PSAT10 Reading or PSAT-NMSQT Reading ^{**} ≥ 40 <i>or</i> PSAT10 Reading or PSAT/NMSQT Reading ^{***} ≥ 22 <i>or</i>	PSAT10 Math or PSAT/NMSQT Math ^{**} ≥ 40 <i>or</i> PSAT10 Math or PSAT/NMSQT Math ^{***} ≥ 22 <i>or</i>
Prior to 3/1/2016 SAT Reading [*] ≥ 400 <i>or</i>	Prior to 3/1/2016 SAT Math [*] ≥ 400 <i>or</i>
SAT Evidence Based Reading and Writing Section > 450 or SAT Reading Test ≥ 22 <i>or</i>	SAT Math Section ≥ 440 or SAT Math Test ≥ 22 <i>or</i>
Meet the Criteria of the NJDOE Portfolio Appeal	Meet the Criteria of the NJDOE Portfolio Appeal

Note: * SAT taken prior to March 2016; ** PSAT taken prior to October 2015; ***PSAT taken after October 2015.

NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION PORTFOLIO APPEAL PROCESS



NJDOE Portfolio Appeal: The NJDOE Portfolio Appeal Review process will continue during this transition. Districts can submit portfolios for students who do not demonstrate competencies either through PARCC or a Substitute Competency Test in English Language Arts or Mathematics.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the Building Principal and we will be glad to assist you. As more information becomes available about the NJPARCC and the Substitute Competency Tests, we will share this information with you.

