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Wildwood Public Schools

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RE: Parental Notification of Standardized Assessment

Dear Parents/Guardians of Wildwood Public Schools Students:

Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:7C-6.6, beginning in the Fall of 2016 school districts and charter schools must, by October 1 of each year, provide parents or guardians certain information on any "State assessment" or "commercially-developed standardized assessment" that will be administered in that school year.

The information provided parents or guardians by districts must include the following:

- The subject area of the assessment and grade levels covered by the assessment;
- The date or range of potential dates for the administration of the assessment;
- The time allotted for the student to take and complete the assessment;
- Any accommodations or accessibility options available to students;
- Information on how and when the student and his/her parent or guardian can access both sample questions and answers to the assessment and the student's results; and
- Whether the assessment is required by State or federal government, or both.

The New Jersey Department of Education's Office of Assessment has developed a template to support districts in implementing the provisions of this statute. The template is attached to this document. Please note also that the information and dates in the template serve only as an example and may not be the specific information associated with the assessments listed.

"Commercially-developed standardized assessment" means a State-required or district-mandated assessment that is administered by the school district or charter school that requires all students in a grade to answer the same questions, or a selection of questions from a common bank of questions, in the same manner, and is developed and scored by an entity under contract with a board of education.

"State assessment" means an assessment required pursuant to State or federal law and administered to all students in a specific grade level or subject area and whose results are aggregated for analysis at the district, school, or student subgroup level.

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Assessment Subject Area	Administration Date/Time	Grades Covered	Requirement Source (Federal and/or State)	Results Available
PARCC ELA 10 Practice Tests: https://parcc.pearson.com/practice-tests/english/	Computer Administration: 11/28/16-01/17/17 03/27/17-05/19/17 04/24/17-05/19/17 Paper Administration: 11/28/16-12/9/16 03/27/17-04/7/17 04/24/17-05/5/17 Duration: 9 a.m.-1 p.m.*	English Language Arts, Grades 6-10 curriculum	Federal and State	January 2017 June 2017 September 2017
PARCC Math 8 Practice Tests: https://parcc.pearson.com/practice-tests/math/	Computer Administration: 03/27/17-05/19/17 Paper Administration: 3/27/17-4/7/17 Duration: 9 a.m.-1 p.m.*	Mathematics, 8th grade curriculum	Federal and State	September 2017
PARCC Algebra I Practice Tests: https://parcc.pearson.com/practice-tests/math/	Computer Administration: 11/28/16-1/17/17 3/27/17-5/19/17 4/24/17-6/5/17 Paper Administration: 11/28/16-12/9/16 3/27/17-4/7/17 4/24/17-5/5/17 Duration: 9 a.m.-1 p.m.*	Mathematics, Algebra I curriculum (various grades)	Federal and State	January 2017 June 2017 September 2017

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

Furthermore, parents will be notified of each assessment when it occurs throughout the school year.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'JKK', with a stylized flourish at the end.

J. Kenyon Kummings
Superintendent

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