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## Warren Township Schools

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Dear Parent /Guardian,

All New Jersey public school districts are required to administer the New Jersey Student Learning Assessment (NJSLA) for math and ELA to students in grade 3 and above. This is the first year the NJSLA is to be administered, it replaces the PARCC assessment. The New Jersey Department of Education also requires the administration of the New Jersey Students Learning Assessment for Science in grades 5 and 8. As with PARCC, the New Jersey Student Learning Assessments are designed to provide important information about an individual student's, and a district's overall, progress relative to the New Jersey Student Learning Standards.

The NJSLA will be delivered on the same digital platform as the PARCC assessment. The questions will have the same structure as PARCC and are designed to assess grade level standards. The biggest change in the NJSLA is a reduction in the actual overall testing time dedicated to the each unit. In some cases, the number of units has been also been reduced. As a result, the testing schedule has been revised from previous years. All students in grade 3-7 will take one unit a day for the ELA and math. Grade 8 students will take two units on certain days.

It is important that all students have a fully charged Chromebook each testing day and have ear buds that can be physically plugged into their Chromebook. Students are not allowed to have any smart devices or bluetooth devices in testing environments

Warren Township School District students are well prepared for the NJSLA. It is important to note that the New Jersey Department of Education continues to examine high school graduation requirements. By taking the NJSLA this year, Warren Middle School students currently enrolled in Algebra and Geometry address a high school graduation requirement.

Please find the grade level testing dates below. Each individual testing session ranges from 60 - 110 minutes, depending on the grade.

Grade Level	ELA	Math	Science
6 & 7	May 6 & 7	May 7, 8 & 9	
8	May 6 & 7	May 7, 8	May 9 & 10
3 & 4	May 13 & 14	May 15, 16, 17	
5	May 13 & 14	May 15, 16, 17	May 20 & 21

You can access additional information about NJSLA the New Jersey Department of Education's Office of Assessment and Evaluation webpage.

Sincerely,

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