

CURRICULUM DEPARTMENT EAST GREENWICH TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT

Mrs. Lisa Giorgianni, Director of Curriculum and Instruction

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Dear Parents and Guardians,

We would like to inform you that our fourth through sixth grade students will be participating in the NJSLA-Adaptive Fall Field Test on **October 27th through October 29th**. The New Jersey Department of Education is changing our spring assessment to include an adaptive feature. This means that questions will adjust based on a student's responses, providing a more accurate measure of student understanding while helping to reduce test anxiety. This assessment will replace the traditional New Jersey Student Learning Assessment (NJSLA) for ELA and Math. The New Jersey Department of Education is making this shift to promote:

- Less test anxiety
- More accurate results
- A personalized testing experience
- Stronger test security

This fall's field test, administered through Cambium Assessment (CA), will support the future development of the spring operational test. The purpose of the fall field test is to ensure that the items and scoring models are functioning properly and measure what they are designed to measure. The results will help improve the overall quality and fairness of the statewide NJSLA-A assessment system.

Below, you will find Samuel Mickle's testing schedule:

Grade	English Language Arts	English Language Arts	Mathematics
Level	<i>Writing</i>	<i>Reading</i>	
Grades 4-6	Monday, October 27th (120 minutes, 1 unit)	Tuesday, October 28th (60 minutes, 1 unit)	Wednesday, October 29th (60 minutes, 1 unit)

Please note:

- The content on the **Fall Field Test** will reflect material from the **grade level prior** to your child's current grade. For example, fourth grade students will take a test designed for administration in the spring of third grade.
- All students in grades 4 and above are required by the state to participate in the fall field test (excluding students who are eligible to take Dynamic Learning Maps, DLM)
- Field test results will not be reported to students, educators, or schools.



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• The field test provides a valuable opportunity for students to practice in a formal testing environment and for schools to practice the delivery of the new assessment before it becomes fully operational in the spring.

We appreciate your support as the state of New Jersey transitions to this new assessment system. If you would like to learn more about the NJSLA-Adaptive assessment, please click on the link to visit the "<u>Students & families</u>" tab on the <u>New Jersey Assessments Portal</u>.

Please ensure your child comes to school with a charged Chromebook. Due to testing security protocols, smartwatches and cell phones are prohibited during testing. Please do not send your child to school with a smartwatch. In accordance with school procedures, cell phones may remain off in students' book bags. It is also important that your child is on time during their testing window.

If you have any questions, please contact me or our School Testing Coordinator, Mrs. Kristen Lombardo, at lombardok@eastgreenwich.k12.nj.us.

Sincerely,

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