

# PARCC GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS



**Robbinsville School District**

# NEW JERSEY STATEWIDE ASSESSMENT PROGRAM



- In 2015, New Jersey adopted the Partnership for Assessment of Readiness for College and Careers (PARCC) to replace HSPA and previous assessments in the elementary and middle school in language arts and mathematics.
- Students will take PARCC English Language Arts and Literacy Assessments (ELA/L) in grades 3 – 11.
- Students will take PARCC Mathematics Assessments in grades 3 – 8 and End of Course Assessments in Algebra I, Geometry, and Algebra II.

# WHAT DOES PARCC MEASURE?

## *COLLEGE & CAREER READINESS*



- Being **ready** for **college** means that a high school graduate has the knowledge and skills necessary to qualify for and succeed in entry-level, credit-bearing college courses without the need for remedial coursework.
- **College today means much more than just pursuing a four-year degree at a university.** Being "college-ready" means being prepared for any postsecondary education or training experience, including study at two- and four-year institutions leading to a postsecondary credential (i.e. a certificate, license, Associate's or Bachelor's degree).
- Being **ready** for a **career** means that a high school graduate has the knowledge and skills needed to qualify for and succeed in the postsecondary job training and/or education necessary for their chosen **career**.

# HOW ARE WE PREPARING STUDENTS?

- Curriculum fully aligned to the New Jersey Student Learning Standards
- Rigorous expectations and providing students with opportunities to apply their knowledge in a variety of ways
- Reading and writing in all content areas
- Skills and practices applied throughout content areas
- Practice sample items leading up the assessments
- Stressing the importance of developmentally appropriate math placement



# PARCC PERFORMANCE LEVELS

PARCC uses five performance levels that delineate knowledge, skills and practices students are able to demonstrate:



# GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS FOR CLASS OF 2018 & 2019

- Students graduating as members of the **Classes of 2018 and 2019** can meet graduation assessment requirements through any of these three pathways:
  - (1) Achieving passing scores on high-level PARCC assessments;
  - (2) Achieving certain scores on alternative assessments such as the SAT, ACT, or Accuplacer; or
  - (3) The submission by the district of a student portfolio through the Department's portfolio appeals process.



# WHAT IS A NJDOE PORTFOLIO?



- A district created assessment method that measures Math and ELA standards.
- Portfolio assessments must be approved by the State before students begin the submission process.
- Portfolio Appeal submission is completed and signed by the school guidance counselor/advisor and the student's teacher, indicating that the student's information is accurate.

# GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS FOR CLASS OF 2018 (SENIORS)

<u>Three Pathways Available</u>	<u>English Language Arts (ELA)</u>	<u>Mathematics</u>
<p><b>First Pathway</b> Take and Pass a PARCC Test</p>	<p>PARCC ELA Grade 9 <math>\geq</math> 750 (Level 4) or PARCC ELA Grade 10 <math>\geq</math> 750 (Level 4) or PARCC ELA Grade 11 <math>\geq</math> 725 (Level 3)</p>	<p>PARCC Algebra I <math>\geq</math> 750 (Level 4) or PARCC Geometry <math>\geq</math> 725 (Level 3) or PARCC Algebra II <math>\geq</math> 725 (Level 3)</p>
<p><b>Second Pathway</b> Take and Pass one of the Alternative Assessments</p>	<p>SAT Critical Reading (taken before 3/1/16) <math>\geq</math> 400 or SAT Evidence-Based Reading and Writing Section (taken 3/1/16 or later) <math>\geq</math> 450 or SAT Reading Test (taken 3/1/16 or later) <math>\geq</math> 22 or ACT Reading or ACT PLAN Reading* <math>\geq</math> 16 or Accuplacer WritePlacer <math>\geq</math> 6 or Accuplacer WritePlacer ESL <math>\geq</math> 4 or PSAT10 Reading or PSAT/NMSQT Reading (taken before 10/1/15) <math>\geq</math> 40 or PSAT10 Reading or PSAT/NMSQT Reading (taken 10/1/15 or later) <math>\geq</math> 22 or ACT Aspire Reading* <math>\geq</math> 422 or ASVAB-AFQT Composite <math>\geq</math> 31</p>	<p>SAT Math (taken before 3/1/16) <math>\geq</math> 400 or SAT Math Section (taken 3/1/16 or later) <math>\geq</math> 440 or SAT Math Test (taken 3/1/16 or later) <math>\geq</math> 22 or ACT or ACT PLAN* Math <math>\geq</math> 16 or Accuplacer Elementary Algebra <math>\geq</math> 76 or PSAT10 Math or PSAT/NMSQT Math (taken before 10/1/15) <math>\geq</math> 40 or PSAT10 Math or PSAT/NMSQT Math (taken 10/1/15 or later) <math>\geq</math> 22 or ACT Aspire Math* <math>\geq</math> 422 or ASVAB-AFQT Composite <math>\geq</math> 31</p>
<p><b>Third Pathway</b> Portfolio Appeals</p>	<p>Meet the criteria of the NJDOE Portfolio Appeal for ELA</p>	<p>Meet the criteria of the NJDOE Portfolio Appeal for Math</p>



# GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS FOR CLASS OF 2019 (JUNIORS)

<u>Three Pathways Available</u>	<u>English Language Arts (ELA)</u>	<u>Mathematics</u>
<p><u>First Pathway</u> Take and Pass a PARCC Test</p>	<p>PARCC ELA Grade 9 <math>\geq</math> 750 (Level 4) or PARCC ELA Grade 10 <math>\geq</math> 750 (Level 4) or PARCC ELA Grade 11 <math>\geq</math> 725 (Level 3)</p>	<p>PARCC Algebra I <math>\geq</math> 750 (Level 4) or PARCC Geometry <math>\geq</math> 725 (Level 3) or PARCC Algebra II <math>\geq</math> 725 (Level 3)</p>
<p><u>Second Pathway</u> Take and Pass one of the Alternative Assessments</p>	<p>SAT Critical Reading (taken before 3/1/16) or SAT Evidence-Based Reading and Writing Section (taken 3/1/16 or later) or SAT Reading Test (taken 3/1/16 or later) or ACT Reading or ACT PLAN Reading* or Accuplacer WritePlacer or Accuplacer WritePlacer ESL or PSAT10 Reading or PSAT/NMSQT Reading (taken before 10/1/15) or PSAT10 Reading or PSAT/NMSQT Reading (taken 10/1/15 or later) or ACT Aspire Reading* or ASVAB-AFQT Composite</p>	<p>SAT Math (taken before 3/1/16) or SAT Math Section (taken 3/1/16 or later) or SAT Math Test (taken 3/1/16 or later) or ACT or ACT PLAN* Math or Accuplacer Elementary Algebra or PSAT10 Math or PSAT/NMSQT Math (taken before 10/1/15) or PSAT10 Math or PSAT/NMSQT Math (taken 10/1/15 or later) or ACT Aspire Math* or ASVAB-AFQT Composite</p>
<p><u>Third Pathway</u> Portfolio Appeals</p>	<p>Meet the criteria of the NJDOE Portfolio Appeal for ELA</p>	<p>Meet the criteria of the NJDOE Portfolio Appeal for Math</p>

# CLASS OF 2020 (SOPHOMORES)



- Unlike previous graduating classes, **the class of 2020 must take all the PARCC assessments** associated with the high-school level courses for which they are eligible.
- This means that even though students can use their passing scores on alternative assessments to graduate, **they still need to sit** for all high school PARCC ELA and Math assessments.

# GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS FOR CLASS OF 2020 (SOPHOMORES)

<u>Three Pathways Available</u>	<u>English Language Arts (ELA)</u>	<u>Mathematics</u>
<p><b>First Pathway</b> Take and Pass a PARCC Test</p>	<p>PARCC ELA Grade 9 or PARCC ELA Grade 10 or PARCC ELA Grade 11</p>	<p>PARCC Algebra I*** or PARCC Geometry or PARCC Algebra II</p>
<p><b>Second Pathway</b> Take and Pass one of the Alternative Assessments</p> <p><i>This Pathway is only available if a student takes all PARCC tests associated with the high-school level courses for which they were eligible and receive valid scores*</i></p>	<p>SAT Reading Test or ACT Reading or ACT PLAN Reading** or Accuplacer WritePlacer or Accuplacer WritePlacer ESL or PSAT10 Reading or PSAT/NMSQT Reading or ACT Aspire Reading** or ASVAB-AFQT Composite</p>	<p>SAT Math Test or ACT or ACT PLAN Math** or Accuplacer Elementary Algebra or PSAT10 Math or PSAT/NMSQT Math or ACT Aspire Math** or ASVAB-AFQT Composite</p>
<p><b>Third Pathway</b> Portfolio Appeals</p> <p><i>This Pathway is only available if a student takes all PARCC tests associated with the high-school level courses for which they were eligible and receive valid scores*</i></p>	<p>Meet the criteria of the NJDOE Portfolio Appeal for ELA</p>	<p>Meet the criteria of the NJDOE Portfolio Appeal for Math</p>

Note: \* "Eligible" is defined as a student who is enrolled in a high-school level course for which there is a PARCC test and receives a valid score. This includes all of these courses: Algebra I, Geometry, Algebra II, ELA 9, ELA 10, and ELA 11. \*\* Test is no longer administered but can be used for the graduating year. \*\*\* The NJDOE is providing flexibility to meet the math assessment requirement for students in the Classes of 2020 and 2021 who completed an Algebra I course prior to the September 6, 2016 effective date of the new high school assessment regulations.

**\*NJ has yet to publish the required passing scores for the class of 2020.**

# CLASS OF 2021 (FRESHMAN) AND BEYOND...



- For the class of **2021 and beyond**, students must take PARCC ELA 9, 10 and 11; however, they must pass **ELA 10** in order to satisfy the graduation requirement for ELA.
- For math, students must take PARCC Algebra I, Geometry, and Algebra II; however, they must pass **Algebra I** in order to satisfy the graduation requirement for Math.
- **This graduation requirement includes middle school students who take Algebra I in 7th or 8th grade.**

# GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS FOR CLASS OF 2021 & BEYOND

<u>Two Pathways Available</u>	<u>English Language Arts (ELA)</u>	<u>Mathematics</u>
<u>First Pathway</u>	Take and Pass PARCC ELA Grade 10	Take and Pass PARCC Algebra I**
<u>Second Pathway</u> <i>This Pathway is only available if a student takes all PARCC tests associated with the high-school level courses for which they were eligible*</i>	Meet the criteria of the NJDOE Portfolio Appeal for ELA	Meet the criteria of the NJDOE Portfolio Appeal for Math

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# CLASS OF 2021 (FRESHMAN) AND BEYOND...



- If students do not pass ELA 10 or Algebra I...
  - Students were offered an Algebra 1 after-school refresher course during the Fall of 2017 to brush up on skills and retake the PARCC in December 2017. If they still haven't passed, they will have to submit a NJDOE portfolio appeal.
  - The first students required to take and pass the ELA 10 assessment will take the test in the Spring of 2019. We will see if a refresher course and retakes are allowed for the ELA assessment.
  - If retakes are no longer allowed, students will still be able to submit a portfolio appeal to graduate.

# COMMUNICATING WITH THE PUBLIC



1. Please be on the look-out for email blasts about any changes in graduation requirements.
2. We will continue to update our website.
3. As we find out more information from the NJDOE we will continue to keep you informed!

# MOVING FORWARD...



STATE OF NEW JERSEY  
DEPARTMENT  
OF EDUCATION

- Stay updated by visiting nj.gov website for current Graduation Requirements
  - <http://www.state.nj.us/education/assessment/parents/GradReq.pdf>



# PARCC SCHEDULE-SHARON



## 3rd Grade

PARCC testing: May 8th-11th

PARCC Make-Ups: May 8th – May 12th

## 4th Grade

PARCC Testing: May 15th-18th

PARCC Make-Ups: May 21st-23rd

# PARCC SCHEDULE-POND ROAD



## 5th Grade PARCC Testing

March 27th -March 30th

## 6th Grade PARCC Testing

May 9th-11th, May 14th

## 7th Grade PARCC Testing

May 9th-11th, May 14th

## 8th Grade PARCC Testing

May 15th-18th, May 21st

## PARCC Make-Up Testing

May 24th-25th

## NJ Science Assessment-5th and 8th grade

May 22nd-May 23rd

Please access this link for a calendar view of testing:

<https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1k6AOF6c69dj9Y1GdBTTIia7ZgmBZsRrXEe--UNUFhoE/edit?usp=sharing>

# PARCC SCHEDULE-RHS

ELA 9 and 10 : April 27th & 30th

ELA 11 : May 1st-2nd

Algebra 2: May 3rd-4th

Algebra 1: May 21st-23rd

Make-ups: May 24th-25th





## Q&A



- If you have a question pertaining to your child, we suggest that you contact their guidance counselor or building administration.

