

## THE EWING PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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## 2018-2019 PARCC ASSESSMENTS

Partnership for Assessment of Readiness for College and Careers

## Dear Parent/Guardian of a Ewing High School Student in Grades 9-11:

The purpose of this letter is to provide parents/guardians with relevant State testing information as it relates to the PARCC. The PARCC assessments are computer-based and aligned to the New Jersey Student Learning Standards (NJSLS). The PARCC assessments will evaluate a student's progress toward college and career readiness/preparedness. The PARCC assessments are also designed to provide teachers with information to modify instruction and provide student support.

The New Jersey Department of Education (NJDOE) has directed New Jersey public school districts to schedule all students in Grades 9-11 to take the appropriate PARCC assessments. Any student taking English I, English II, English II, Algebra I, Geometry, or Algebra II is scheduled for a PARCC assessment. During the fall semester, test dates will be planned for the appropriate PARCC assessments based on the following schedule. For students with a full year Algebra I, Geometry, or Algebra II course, the PARCC assessment associated with that full year course will be administered in Spring semester. As the time approaches, a more definitive testing schedule will be provided.

PARCC Session Times FALL BLOCK 2018: November 26, 2018 – January 15, 2019						
	Unit 1	Unit 2	Unit 3	Total Time		
ELA Grades 9-11	110 min	110 min	90 min	5 hrs, 10 min		
Algebra I	90 min	90 min	90 min	4 hrs, 30 min		
Geometry	90 min	90 min	90 min	4 hrs, 30 min		
Algebra II	90 min	90 min	90 min	4 hrs, 30 min		

PARCC Session Times SPRING BLOCK 2019: APRIL 22 – JUNE 7, 2019					
	Unit 1	Unit 2	Unit 3	Total Time	
ELA Grades 9-11	90 min	90 min	90 min	4 hrs, 30 min	
Algebra I	90 min	90 min	90 min	4 hrs, 30 min	
Geometry	90 min	90 min	90 min	4 hrs, 30 min	
Algebra II	90 min	90 min	90 min	4 hrs, 30 min	

Visit our website at <a href="http://www.ewing.k12.nj.us/">http://www.ewing.k12.nj.us/</a>. On the district home page, scroll down to PARCC Testing Information to refer to the NJDOE High School Graduation Assessment Requirements document to ensure your child will meet high school graduation assessment requirements. To learn more about PARCC, you may also review Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) as well New Jersey Student Learning Standards (NJSLS). You will also have the opportunity to peruse PARCC Practice Tests.

During PARCC testing, I urge you to ensure your child gets plenty of rest, eats a hearty breakfast and comes to school prepared to focus on the PARCC assessments. Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions or concerns regarding this important aspect of your child's school program.

Respectfully,

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