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Dear Lawnside Public School District Families,

In accordance with New Jersey State guidelines and the US Department of Education, Lawnside Public School District will administer the New Jersey Student Learning Assessment(NJSLA) for Grades 3 through 8 in both Mathematics and English Language Arts during the 2024-2025 school year. In addition, Grades 5 and 8 are assessed in Science. Please review the following information regarding the assessment:

- The NJSLA is an assessment designed to match the content and skills outlined in the New Jersey Students Learning Standards that guide classroom instruction.
- The results from the NJSLA, along with a student's overall educational learning experience, including performance in the classroom, provide an overall picture of his or her academic success and progress towards graduating high school ready to succeed at college level work.
- The NJSLA Computer Administration Window is scheduled for the spring. The assessment may be administered between April 29, 2024 to May 24, 2024.
- Students will complete two ELA units, each 75-90 minutes. In Math, students will complete three units, each 60-90 minutes. There are four 45 minute Science units.
- All students are provided with various accessibility features such as answer masking or the use of an online highlighter.
- Some students may receive accommodations such as testing in a small group or extended testing time. These accommodations are set by a student's IEP or 504 plan.
- To view sample questions, visit the Digital Item Library at <https://nj.digitalitemlibrary.com/home> and the state assessment website at <https://nj.mypearsonsupport.com/ForParent/>.
- Upon completion of the assessments, parents will receive an Individualized Student Report for each content area in which their child is tested. The report will provide parents with a sense of their child's understanding in the tested content areas, a description of the major concepts that were tested, and a starting point for discussions with their child's teacher(s).

Lawnside Public School District ensures a testing environment that follows all protocols and procedures; and is not disruptive to the students taking the assessments. We are committed to student achievement, and these assessments raise the bar for our students to ensure they are on the path to success. If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Alyssa Miller; Director of Curriculum and Instruction.

Sincerely,

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