



East Brunswick High School

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Bear Family,

I hope this letter finds you well. As we continue to progress through the school year, I would like to inform you about an important upcoming event for our 11th-grade students. This spring, all juniors will be taking the New Jersey Graduation Proficiency Assessment (NJGPA).

About the NJGPA

The NJGPA is a state-mandated assessment that evaluates proficiency in both Mathematics and English Language Arts (ELA). Demonstrating proficiency in these areas is a graduation requirement set by the New Jersey Department of Education. More information on the NJGPA can be [found here](#).

Testing Schedule:

This year, the NJGPA testing window (picked by the NJDOE) is scheduled for the week of March 10th to March 14th. Recognizing the importance of providing an optimal testing environment, we have made adjustments to our school schedule:

- **Single-Session Days on March 11th and 12th:** The high school will operate on a single-session schedule on these dates. This adjustment allows all students, including those requiring accommodations, to complete the Math assessment on one day and the ELA assessment on the next.

- **Benefits of the Adjusted Schedule:** Administering the assessments over two consecutive single-session days will help students remain focused and perform at their best. It minimizes disruptions and prevents the testing process from stretching over four consecutive days (there are a total of 4 units. Based on the bell schedule of a traditional day, we would only be able to complete 1 unit a day) which can be challenging when combined with regular afternoon classes of a traditional school day.

What This Means for Your Child:

- March 11th (Tuesday): ELA Assessment
- March 12th (Wednesday): Math Assessment
- Students will be dismissed at 12:32 on both days. Late buses will be available at 1:45 if needed.
- NJGPA Make-up window is the week of March 17th for anyone that misses a testing day.

We understand that schedule changes can be inconvenient, but we believe these adjustments will provide the best testing environment for our students. Your support is greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

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A Couple of Items:

Anderson Bowl: Our Anderson Bowl has been moved to Tuesday, **November 26th at 6:30pm** (time shift). If students are planning on participating in the field goal competition, they should arrive at 6:15 and bring a can.

Governor's Educator of the Year:

We are proud to announce the recipient of EBHS's 2024-2025 Governor's Educator of the Year award. This distinguished educator was nominated by colleagues and selected through a collaborative process involving various stakeholders. Their unwavering dedication to students, innovative teaching methods, and commitment to excellence have made a significant impact on our school community. This individual truly embodies the spirit of outstanding education, and we are honored to celebrate their remarkable contributions. Congratulations to **Ms. Elizabeth Turay** on being our 2024-2025 Governor's Educator of the Year!

We are equally honored to recognize **Mr. Chris Boland** as our Educational Services Professional of the Year. With nearly two decades of experience, he has been an invaluable member of our team at the high school. Mr. Boland's unwavering dedication to students with diverse needs sets him apart. His humor, patience, and innovative methods consistently bring out the best in his students, helping them achieve success in the classroom.

PTSA Information:

- The [Senior Raffle](#) is still available. For just \$10.00 you can buy a chance for your child to park in the closest spot to the High School building for one month. See more info [HERE!](#)
- [Please join the PTSA!](#) Our [website](#) will have up to date information throughout the school year. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to email us at contact.ebhsptsa@gmail.com.

Thanksgiving: A friendly reminder that next Wednesday, November 27th, is a single-session day. School will be closed on Thursday and Friday. We would like to wish everyone a wonderful holiday!

Save Hamlet: Our Fall play opens tonight, **November 22nd at 7:00pm** at the high school auditorium! Same time on Saturday and 3:00pm on Sunday.

Report Card: MP1 report cards are now live in the Genesis Parent Portal.

Calendar

November 22+23	EBHS Fall Drama Production	EBHS Auditorium - 7:00pm
November 24	EBHS Fall Drama Production	EBHS Auditorium - 3:00pm
November 26	Anderson Bowl	6:30pm - 9:00pm
November 27	Single Session	
November 28+29	Thanksgiving Recess	District Closed
December 3	EBHS Orchestra Concert	JMPAC - 7:00pm
December 4	Sophomore Parent Night	7:00pm - 9:00pm
December 10	PTSA Meeting	7:00pm - 8:00pm
December 11	EBHS Band Concert	EBHS Auditorium - 7:00pm
December 12	EBHS Mu Alpha Theta Induction Ceremony	EBHS Auditorium - 6:00pm - 8:00pm
December 13	EBHS Tri-M/Choir Coffeehouse	EBHS Auditorium & Cafeteria- 7:00pm
December 17	Progress Reports Issued - MP2	
December 20	Single Session	
December 23 - January 1	Winter Recess	District Closed (December 25 - Christmas Day)
January 1	New Years Day	District Closed