

New Jersey Graduation Proficiency Assessment (NJGPA)

NJGPA Results:
Spring 2025 Administration

Mountain Lakes School District

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NJGPA Overview (1 of 2)



- The State graduation proficiency test [NJGPA] shall be administered to all 11th grade pupils and to any 11th or 12th grade pupil who has previously failed to demonstrate mastery of State graduation proficiency standards on said test. (N.J.S.A. 18A:7C-6)
- NJGPA is designed to measure the extent to which students are graduation ready in English Language Arts (ELA) and Mathematics.
- Graduation readiness is reported separately for each content component.
- The ELA component is aligned to the grade 10 standards.
- The Mathematics component is aligned to Algebra I and Geometry standards.



NJGPA Overview (2 of 2)



Students who take but do not meet the minimum required score (725) on each component of the assessment will have the opportunity to receive additional supports and may take the following steps:

- Retake the ELA and/or mathematics components of the New Jersey Graduation Proficiency Assessment in the following summer or fall;
- Meet a designated cut score from the menu of substitute competency tests*; or
- Complete a portfolio appeal.

*Pending State Board of Education Approval of Chapter 8 anticipated in October of 2025.



Mountain Lakes's Number of Students Tested for Spring 2025 NJGPA Administration

Number of Students Tested

Content Component	Grade 11	2024
English Language Arts (ELA)	126	138
Mathematics	127	138



Mountain Lakes's Spring 2025 NJGPA Administration Results – Percentages

Content Component	Graduation Ready 2025	Not yet Graduation Ready 2025
English Language Arts (ELA)	95	5
Mathematics	86	14

Note: Percentages may not total 100 due to rounding.



Comparison of Mountain Lakes's Spring 2024 and 2025 NJGPA Administrations – Percentages

Grade 11 Students only

Content Component	Graduation Ready 2024	Not Yet Graduation Ready 2024	Graduation Ready 2025	Not Yet Graduation Ready 2025	Change in Graduation Ready from 2024 to 2025
English Language Arts (ELA)	99	1	95	5	↓ 4
Mathematics	81	19	86	14	↑ 5

Note: Percentages may not total 100 due to rounding.



Comparison of Mountain Lakes's Spring 2024 and 2025 NJGPA Administrations – Percentages Graduation Ready, Total Students

Content Component	Graduation Ready 2024 District	Graduation Ready 2024 State	Graduation Ready 2025 District	Graduation Ready 2025 State
English Language Arts (ELA)	99	81.6	95	80.7
Mathematics	81	54.7	86	58.0



Notable Achievements



- ELA - Improvements made in:
 - **Writing Categories**
 - *Written Expression* + *Writing Knowledge*
 - **Prose Constructed Response Task: *Literary Analysis***
 - Performance steady (comparing 2024 to 2025) in PCR Task: *Research Simulation*
- **Informational Text**
 - 8 items on this assessment were RST progress indicators (**Reading Science, and Technical Subjects**) – were not on last year’s assessment
 - Average percent correct was high in all 8 items
 - Performed well on reading standards for literacy in **History/Social Studies**
- **Average Scale Score**
 - 790 in 2024; **796** in 2025



Notable Achievements



- Mathematics:
 - Increase in the percent of students who were “graduation ready” from 81% to 86%
 - Female students increased from 82% to 88%
 - Gains in student performance on “Supporting Content” and “Mathematical Modeling”



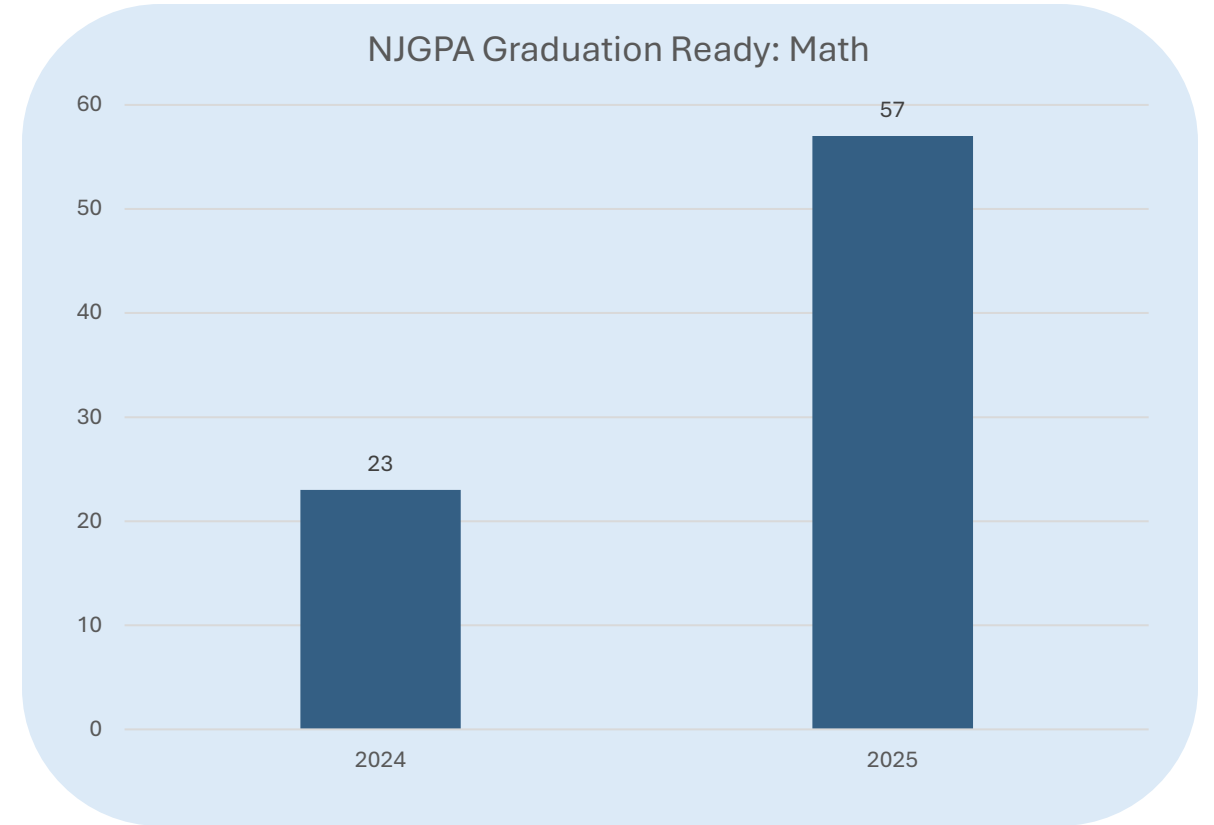
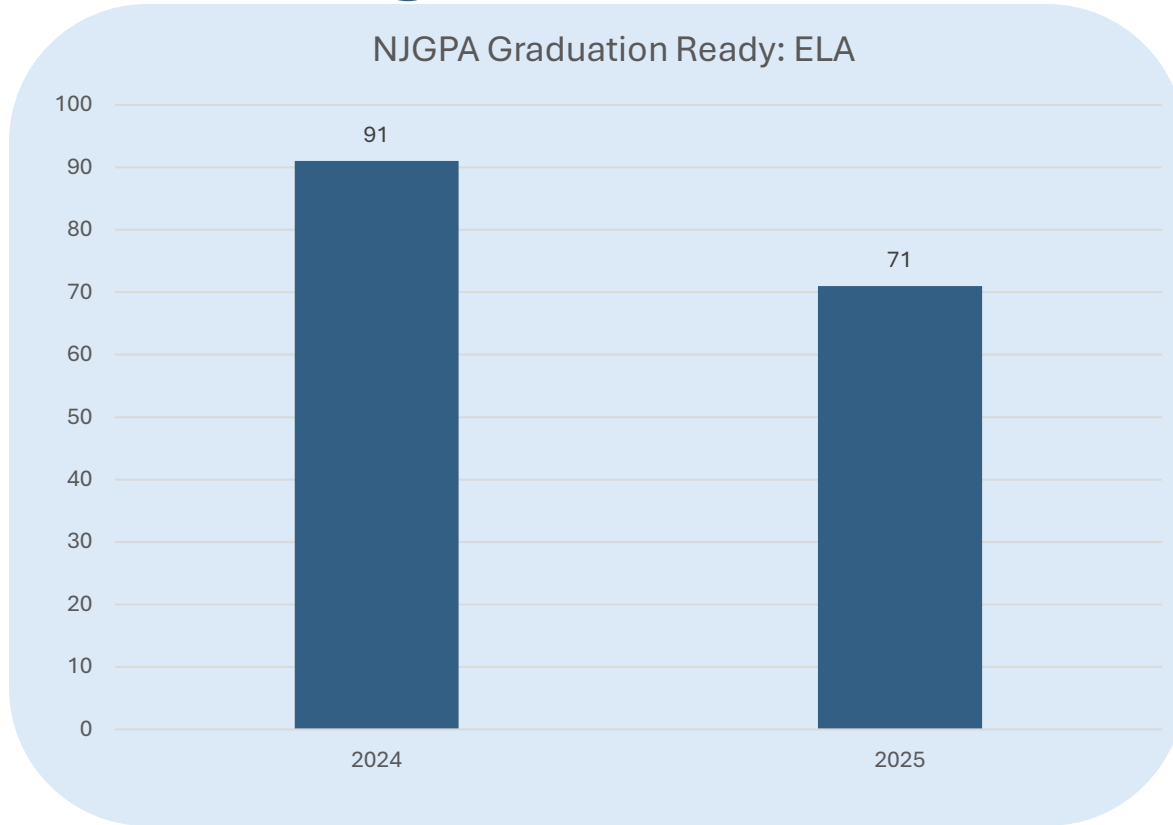
Intervention Strategies



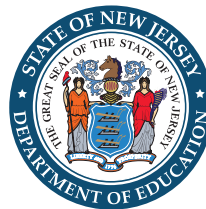
- Examine the Evidence Statement tables
 - Provides insight into average percent correct by item – compared to the state
- Identify students who performed below the cut score
- Math sequence has returned to Alg 1 – Geo – Alg 2 sequence
 - Implement the revised Geometry curriculum (Geo did not run last year)
 - Implement updated instructional resources (Big Ideas Geometry) – more resources addressing mathematical reasoning and modeling tasks
 - Alg + Geo teachers collaborate with grade 11 math teachers to review skills for NJGPA
- Provide other graduation pathways:
 - Administer NJGPA in the fall
 - Accuplacer
 - Tutoring is available
 - Students who do not meet these pathways begin the portfolio process in January



Comparison of Mountain Lakes's Subgroup: Students with Disabilities Spring 2024 & Spring 2025 NJGPA ELA & Math - Percentages



Thank You



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