

# **NJSLA/NJGPA Adaptive Assessment Field Test**

## **Parent FAQ – Fall 2025**



This fall, the New Jersey Department of Education (NJDOE), in partnership with Cambium Assessment, Inc. (CAI), is launching field tests for the new NJSLA-Adaptive and NJGPA-Adaptive assessments.

These assessments, aligned to the New Jersey Student Learning Standards (NJSLS) for English Language Arts (ELA) and Mathematics, are designed to:

- Improve the testing experience for students
- Provide more precise measures of student learning
- Maintain strong alignment to state standards

All school districts are required to participate in these Fall 2025 Field Tests.

### **Frequently Asked Questions**

#### ***Who will participate?***

NJSLA-Adaptive

- ELA: Grades 4–10
- Math: Grades 4–9 and students who took Algebra I, Geometry, or Algebra II in 2024–25

#### ***Will schools receive test results?***

No. Field test results are not reported to students, parents, or schools.

- The purpose is to test the quality of assessment questions.
- Data helps NJDOE ensure questions are fair, valid, and reliable.
- Students and educators will gain early exposure to the new adaptive format.

#### ***When is the Fall 2025 Field Test?***

- The field testing window is October 27 – November 14, 2025
- No testing on November 4, 6, 7, or 11
- All school districts are required to participate

**What content will students be tested on?**

- Questions will be aligned to the prior grade/course to ensure fairness.
  - Example: A Grade 4 student will answer Grade 3-aligned questions.
- Math field test items are based on the 2024–25 course taken.
- Students will not take full-length tests—just sample items.

**How much time will it take?**

Unit	Time
ELA – Reading	60 minutes
ELA – Writing	120 minutes
Mathematics	60 minutes

- Students participating in the Fall 2025 Field Test will each be assigned no more than one mathematics unit, one reading unit, and one writing task based on the participation guidelines
- No more than 2 units per day.
- A 10-minute break is allowed during the Writing unit.

**What is an adaptive test?**

An adaptive test adjusts questions based on student responses:

- Provides a personalized experience closer to the student’s level
- Reduces testing frustration and anxiety
- Gives a more accurate measure of skills

**Will this affect other state tests?**

- Science (NJSLA–Science): No changes
- NJGPA (Fall 2025, Class of 2026): Students without valid scores will take the current version of the NJGPA

**What platform will be used?**

The new Cambium Assessment, Inc. (CAI) system will handle:

- Test registration, accommodations, and delivery
- TIDE (Test Information Distribution Engine) for schools
- TDS (Test Delivery System) with easy-to-use student and teacher interfaces

**Key Takeaway for Parents:**

The Fall 2025 assessments are field tests only—they will not affect grades, graduation, or school performance reports. They are designed to prepare New Jersey students and schools for the official launch of adaptive assessments in Spring 2026. Click [HERE](#) for more information.