



# Churchill Junior High School



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Churchill Junior High School Parents and Guardians,

## 1. Important Dates for Advanced Planning:

October 28-30:	NJSLA-Adaptive Fall Field Test – <i>see section below</i>
November 4:	Non-School Day for Students – <i>Election Day</i>
November 6-7:	Non-School Day for Students – <i>NJEA Convention</i>
November 13:	Last Day of Marking Period 1
November 19:	Fall Athletic Teams Recognition Night – 6:30 PM at CJHS

**2. NJSLA-A Fall Field Test:** The New Jersey Department of Education (NJDOE) is introducing new assessments in Spring 2026 called the New Jersey Student Learning Assessment-Adaptive (NJSLA-Adaptive). This assessment will replace the NJSLA that was previously administered each Spring. This October, students at Churchill Junior High School will participate in a Fall field test to help prepare for these new assessments. The purpose of the Fall field test is to allow the NJDOE to “test the test” and use data from the assessment to assist with the final design and implementation of the new assessment in Spring 2026. Results from the Fall field test are intended for the NJDOE only and will not be shared with the district, schools, or families. Here are the important details that you need to know for your Churchill student:

- Students in grades 7-9 will take an NJSLA-Adaptive Fall field test in reading, math, and writing on October 28<sup>th</sup>, 29<sup>th</sup>, and 30<sup>th</sup>, respectively.
- The Fall field test will take place from approximately 8-10 AM on the days listed above. At the conclusion of testing each day, we will use a modified bell schedule so students will still meet with all their classes and attend lunch.
- Student testing locations are being sent via school email to all students. We also have posters located in all the lobbies and in the cafeteria that include the locations students should report to for testing each day.
- The NJSLA-Adaptive Fall field test is computer-based. Students will need their fully charged district-issued laptop to participate in the test. Please make sure your child charges their device each night. Students should also bring their charger to school with them each day during testing.
- IMPORTANT - Students will need wired earbuds or headphones for the field test. Please make sure your child has a set of wired earbuds or wired headphones each day for testing.** For test security reasons, wireless and Bluetooth headphones, ear pods and Apple AirPods will not function with the testing browser.
- Students who are currently enrolled in Math 7, Pre-Algebra Honors, Math 8, or Algebra I will take a math assessment that is aligned to the learning standards for the math course they took last school year, respectively. Students who are currently enrolled in Geometry will take a math assessment aligned to Algebra I learning standards. Students who are currently enrolled in Algebra II Honors will take a math assessment aligned to Geometry learning standards.

The Department of Education has provided some assessment resources for families to learn more about the NJSLA-Adaptive tests. These resources include some sample items and practice tests. You can access the NJ DOE assessment resource page for students and families by [CLICKING HERE](#).

3. **Churchill PTA:** The Churchill Junior High School Parent-Teacher Association (PTA) helps to support programs for students and teachers at CJHS. The Churchill PTA gives teacher grants, makes donations, hosts events, and more. All of this is in support of our school! We have some exciting activities planned for our students and staff at our school this year and need the support of our parents to make this happen. The PTA membership drive is currently underway. Membership dues are \$10 for an individual, \$15 for a family, \$8 for teachers and staff, and \$10 for community members. Click here to join: <https://cjhs.givebacks.com/membership>.

There is now an [online store](#) to purchase items that the PTA has on hand. The PTA also has some exciting new designs for spirit wear and those items can be found in the flyer that is attached with this message. **Spirit wear sales end on Friday, October 24<sup>th</sup>.**

You can also support the PTA by purchasing one of their discount cards. [CLICK HERE](#) for more information about the discount cards.

Always feel free to email the PTA with any questions or suggestions at [ebchurchillpta@gmail.com](mailto:ebchurchillpta@gmail.com)

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TikTok - <https://www.tiktok.com/@churchilljhspta>

4. **Yearbook Ordering Information:** It is not too early to order a school yearbook. Early-bird pricing of \$35 is in effect through December 31, 2025. After December 31, the price will increase to \$40. Go to [yearbookordercenter.com](http://yearbookordercenter.com) and enter the Churchill Junior High School order code **4712**.
5. **Calendars:**
  - a. [CJHS Calendar of Events](#)
  - b. [EBPS District Calendar of Events](#)
  - c. [EBPS One-Page School Year Calendar](#)

Sincerely,

*Matthew N. Hanas*