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Dear Parent or Guardian,

Please be advised that all **third, fourth, fifth, sixth, seventh, and eighth grade students** in the Parkland School District will participate in the Pennsylvania System of School Assessment or PSSA near the conclusion of April. Elementary and Middle School testing dates and the grade level testing schedules are located on the next page.

The PSSA assessments are based on the Pennsylvania Core Standards. As such, they are designed to assist school districts in determining the quality of their educational programs. Parents can reassure children that these assessments give them an opportunity to demonstrate their learning and help teachers plan the best possible instruction for them. Just a reminder that PSSA assessments will again be administered through an online format, unless otherwise noted in a student's Individualized Education Program(IEP). The state has mandated this transition to mandatory online testing and our staff has prepared our students to test in this format throughout the school year.

Please make every effort to ensure your child attends school during these testing periods. In addition, we appreciate your support and encouragement for your child during this time.

Please feel free to contact your child's principal or guidance counselor if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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**PARKLAND SCHOOL DISTRICT
2026
PSSA TESTING SCHEDULE**

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL SCHEDULE

PSSA ELA ASSESSMENT

April 20 - 23, 2026

GRADES 3 – 4 – 5

PSSA MATHEMATICS ASSESSMENT

April 27 - 28, 2026

GRADES 3 – 4 – 5

PSSA SCIENCE ASSESSMENT

April 29 - April 30, 2026

GRADE 5

MAKE-UP TESTING

Through May 8, 2026

ALL GRADES

MIDDLE SCHOOL SCHEDULE

PSSA ELA ASSESSMENT

April 20 - 23, 2026

GRADES 6 – 7 – 8

PSSA MATHEMATICS ASSESSMENT

April 27 - 28, 2026

GRADES 6 – 7 – 8

PSSA SCIENCE ASSESSMENT

April 29 - April 30, 2026

GRADE 8

MAKE-UP TESTING

Through May 8, 2026

ALL GRADES