



# Linwood Public Schools

Excellence in Teaching and Learning

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December 10, 2019

Dear Parents/Guardian,

The testing window for the statewide assessment system, the New Jersey Student Learning Assessment (NJSLA) begins the week of April 20<sup>th</sup> and concludes on May 29<sup>th</sup>. In addition to the NJSLA for Math and English Language Arts, our students in grades five and eight will be taking the New Jersey Student Learning Assessment for Science (NJSLA-S). The testing window for the NJSLA-S is April 20<sup>th</sup> through May 29<sup>th</sup>. All assessments are computer-based.

It is important to note the significance of these tests and your child's participation. These scores provide the district information to consider in alignment with our own benchmarks when reviewing our programs. In addition, the new accountability regulations included in the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) state plan indicate that students who do not take the test will negatively impact the school and district level results. It is important for our schools to have full participation in these assessments.

Throughout the school year, students have been preparing for the NJSLA as they work with the NJ Student Learning Standards in English Language Arts, Math and Science. As always, it is important that students get a good night's sleep and have a healthy breakfast so that they can do their best on the assessments. Our school cafeteria will continue to offer breakfast for students prior to the start of the school day for \$2.00 or free/reduced for eligible students. We encourage students to participate in this program. Make-up testing will take place throughout the NJSLA test windows.

Finally, on the reverse side you will find a detailed schedule with specific administration dates for each grade level. Please note that Linwood Public Schools has been selected to participate in an ELA Field Test unit. The purpose of the field test is to evaluate test items and tasks among different student sample groups across the state. All students in tested grades will participate in the field test. Students taking the field test will be administered three units, and any one of the three units may be the field test; therefore, students must complete all three units to the best of their ability. Students will be assessed 3 days for ELA and 3 days for Math (with the exception of Algebra, which will only be 2 days).

Thank you for all you do for your child(ren) and our school community. Please contact me or your building principal if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

*Nicole Sapello*

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Supervisor of Curriculum and Instruction



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## Administration Dates

Grade Level NJSLA Testing Dates

Grade Level	ELA Testing Dates	Math Testing Dates	Science Testing Dates
Grade 3	April 28-30, 2020	May 5-7, 2020	N/A
Grade 4	April 28-30, 2020	May 5-7, 2020	N/A
Grade 5	April 28-30, 2020	May 5-7, 2020	May 19-20, 2020
Grade 6	April 28-30, 2020	May 5-7, 2020	N/A
Grade 7	April 28-30, 2020	May 5-7, 2020	N/A
Grade 8	April 28-30, 2020	May 5-7, 2020	May 19-20, 2020