Hopatcong Borough Schools

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Dear Chief Families:

To offer a personalized instructional program that meets your child's unique needs, the Hopatcong Borough School District will conduct standardized and benchmark assessments throughout the school year. These assessments provide important insights into your child's academic strengths and areas for growth. Teachers will use this data to differentiate instruction, ensuring that every student has the opportunity to engage meaningfully in their lessons.

The chart below presents the assessments for the year in chronological order. Please note that schools will send more specific information regarding the assessments as they approach:

| Assessment | Grades | Administration Window |
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| Linkit! Form A Benchmarks (ELA, Math, & Science) | 4-11 | 09/10/2025 - 09/26/2025 |
| i-Ready Fall Benchmark (ELA and Math) | K-3 | 9/10/2025 - 9/26/2025 |
| DIBELS Fall Reading Benchmark | K-3 | 09/29/2025 - 10/10/2025 |
| NJGPA Fall Administration | 11 & 12 Note: Students in grade 12 and students repeating grade 11 may take the NJGPA if needed to meet the State graduation assessment requirement. | 10/6/2025 - 10/10/2025 Makeup: 10/14/2025 - 10/17/2025 |
| Kindergarten Entry Assessment | К | 10/14/2025 - 10/28/2025 |
| New Jersey Graduation Proficiency Assessment – Adaptive (NJGPA-Adaptive) Fall Field Test | 11 & 12 | 10/27/2025 - 11/14/2025 (no testing on 11/4, 6, 7, or 11) |
| New Jersey Student Learning Assessments – Adaptive | ELA: 4 through 10 Math: 4 through high school (Algebra I, Geometry, or Algebra II based on course completion during the 2024-2025 school year) | 10/27/2025 - 11/14/2025 (no |

| (NJSLA-Adaptive) Fall | | testing on 11/4, 6, |
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| Field Test DIBELS Winter Reading | K-3 | 7, or 11) 1/5/2026 - |
| Benchmark | N-3 | 1/16/2026 |
| Portfolio Appeals | 12 | 1/6/2026 - 05/1/2026 |
| Linkit! Form B Benchmarks (ELA, Math, & Science) | 4-11 | 01/20/2026 - 01/30/2026 |
| i-Ready Winter Benchmark (ELA and Math) | K-3 | 01/20/2026 - 1/30/2026 |
| ACCESS and Alternate ACCESS for ELLs | ACCESS: K-12 Alt. ACCESS: 1-12 | 02/2/2026 - 03/27/2026 Makeup: 3/30/2026 - 4/3/2026 |
| New Jersey Graduation Proficiency Assessment – Adaptive (NJGPA-Adaptive) | 11 | 03/16/2026 - 03/20/2026 Makeup: 03/23/2026 - 03/27/2026 |
| Dynamic Learning Maps Year-End (YE) Model: ELA, Math & Science | ELA and Math: 3-8, and 11 Science: 5, 8 and 11 | 4/6/2026- 5/22/2026 Makeup: 5/26/2026 - 5/29/2026 |
| New Jersey Student Learning Assessments – Adaptive (NJSLA-Adaptive) NJSLA Science Spring Administration | ELA: Grades 3 – 9 Math: 3 through high school (Algebra I, Geometry, or Algebra II as needed based on accountability requirements. | 04/27/2026 - 05/22/2026 Makeup: 05/26/2026 - 05/29/2026 |

| NJSLA Science Spring Administration | 5, 8, and 11 | 04/27/2026 - 05/22/2026 |
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| | | Makeup: 05/26/2026 - 05/29/2026 |
| DIBELS Spring Reading Benchmark | | 05/11/2026 - 05/22/2026 |
| i-Ready EOY Benchmark (ELA and Math) | 06/01/2026 - 06/8/2026 | 05/26/2026 - 06/8/2026 |
| Linkit! Form C Benchmarks (ELA, Math, & Science) | ELA and Math: 2-11 Science: 5, 8, and 11 | 06/01/2026 - 06/8/2026 |

As we continue to work together to support your child's academic journey, these assessments are just one of many tools we use to better understand their progress and needs. While tests provide valuable insights, we know each child is unique, and their success goes beyond numbers. Thank you for your partnership in helping us guide your child to reach their fullest potential. Together, we are building a strong foundation for their future success.

Sincerely,

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