

## **Allamuchy Township School District**

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Dear 3rd-8th Grade Parents,

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The Allamuchy Township School District will once again be administering a state-wide assessment, the New Jersey Student Learning Assessment (NJSLA) for English Language Arts and Mathematics this spring. Students in grades 5 & 8 will also participate in the NJSLA Science. Please see the chart below with the schedule and grade level testing times for the spring assessment. Parents of students receiving accommodations in accordance with their Individualized Learning Plan or 504 plan should contact their child's case manager or guidance counselor for more information, if necessary. The Allamuchy Township School is planning on assessing our students on May 20-24. Below is the testing schedule and total testing times.

	Monday, May 20	Tuesday, May 21	Wednesday, May 22	Thursday, May 23	Friday, May 25
Session 1	3rd-8th ELA	3rd-8th ELA	3rd-8th Math & Alg	3rd-8th Math & Alg	3rd-8th Math
Session 2	5th & 8th Science	5th & 8th Science	5th & 8th Science	5th & 8th Science	

Make up testing will occur through May 31st, 2024 if needed.

Grade	Total Testing Times		
Algebra 1 (8th Grade)	ELA: 90 Mins x 2 units	Math: 90 Mins x 2 units	
4th-8th	ELA: 90 Mins x 2 units	Math: 60 Mins x 3 units	
3rd	ELA: 75 Mins x 2 units	Math: 60 Mins x 3 units	
5th/8th	Science: 45 minutes x 4 units		

You can visit the New Jersey Department of Education's assessment web page at <a href="https://www.nj.gov/education/assessment/resources/">https://www.nj.gov/education/assessment/resources/</a> to find additional information and resources. All students are required to take this assessment, which is one of a variety of tools that we utilize to gather valuable information regarding academic strengths and needs of individual students and our curriculum.

Students will be using their Google Chromebooks for this assessment in classroom settings. Students are required to have a personal listening device (wired headphones/earbuds) for the ELA portion. Due to hygiene issues, we are strongly



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encouraging students to bring in their own earbuds for the days of testing and store them in their homeroom. If you are unable to provide a listening device, please let us know ahead of time so that we can make one available for your child. We encourage students to bring a spare pair of wired earbuds or headphones to school in a labeled baggie for use during testing so students do not need to worry about bringing them back and forth to school. **Wireless headphones will not be permitted.** Below are a few links, if interested, to wired earbud devices. This is not an all inclusive list- feel free to use your own discretion.

Target Earbuds
Walmart Earbuds
Amazon Earbuds

In addition- students who take their chromebooks home, must bring their chromebook back to school by THURSDAY (5/16) for safekeeping and charging through testing week (May 20-24).

During the administration of standardized assessments, it is imperative that students keep their cell phones and smart devices (watches, etc.) out of the testing environment. Cell phones and smart devices (i.e. smart watches) should remain at home during the testing window or will be collected by the test administrator and stowed in a safe place in the off position outside of the testing room.

Attendance on the scheduled testing dates is important. We encourage that you ensure a full night's sleep and appropriate breakfast choices throughout the school year, including days of testing. The first morning test session will begin directly after homeroom, so please ensure students are prompt and on time. If your student is not on time, they will have to make-up their test at another time.

We appreciate your assistance and support in all you do for your child's education. Thank you for all you do to support your child and education in our school. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me at (908) 852-1894 x101.

Sincerely,

ATSD Administration