



Dumont Public Schools

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Dear Parents/Guardians:

Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A: 7C-6.6, school districts are required to provide parents and guardians with information on any state assessment or commercially developed standardized assessment that will be administered to students during the school year. Attached please find a chart listing the assessments that the Dumont School District will be administering to our students. Website links to sites with sample test items, when available, have been included as a parental resource. The 2019-2020 District Testing Schedule can also be located on our school district website.

The assessments described as “benchmark” assessments on the chart are used for purely diagnostic purposes to help your child’s teacher individualize instruction for your child. Some of the other assessments listed are required as part of the state assessment program or are commonly administered assessments to help students prepare for the college admission process.

Specific schedules for each grade and school are mailed home to parents in advance of any state and/or College Board standardized test that is administered to your child during the school day.

Should you have any questions regarding our assessment program, please feel free to contact your child’s school and/or my office.

Thank you,

Dr. Maria Poidomani

Dumont Public Schools Assessment Chart

2019-2020

Assessment/Subject Area	Administration Dates/Time	Grades	Type of Assessment	Results Available
PSAT 11 Practice Tests: https://www.collegeboard.org https://www.khanacademy.org	10/16/19	*10 & 11 Duration: Approximately 3 hours.	College Board Assessment	December 2019
ACCESS for ELLs 2.0 (English Language Proficiency Assessment)	Computer/Paper Administration: 2/18/20 - 4/10/20	*K-12 ELL students only Duration: 3 hours administered over several days.	State Administered Assessment	September 2020 (Exact time frame TBA by State)
NJSLA Computer Administration Grades 3 - 10 (ELA & Math) NJSLA Paper-Based Administration Practice Test Items: https://nj.digitalitemlibrary.com/home	Computer Administration: 4/20/20 - 5/29/20 Paper Administration: 4/20/20 - 5/1/20	*3-10 Specific grade/school/time schedules mailed in advance of test. Duration: Typically 4-6 hours per grade level. Test is divided into ELA and Math Units and is scheduled over several days.	State Administered Assessment	September 2020 (Exact time frame TBA by State)
NJ Student Learning Assessment for Science *Grades 5, 8, & 11 only Practice Test Items: http://measinc-nj-science.com/	Computer Administration: 5/4/20 - 6/5/20 Paper Administration: 5/4/20 - 5/15/20	*5 & 8 Duration: Gr. 5: TBA Gr. 8: TBA	State Administered Assessment	September 2020 (Exact time frame TBA by State)
College Board AP Testing https://www.collegeboard.org	Weeks of: 5/4/20 - 5/15/20	*10-12 -Students enrolled in AP Courses in the district Duration: Varies depending on subject.	College Board Assessment	June/July 2020
DRA Benchmark Reading Diagnostic Assessments	(2x per year) Window 1: 9/16-9/27 Window 2: 5/11-5/22 Note: *Mid year testing Window for K & BSI only: 1/6/20-1/17/20	*K-5 <i>(K not until January 2020)</i> Duration: K-2 (15-20 min.) 3-5 (30-45 min.)	Used for instructional purposes	Available upon request; also at parent/teacher conferences

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Dynamic Indicators of Basic Early Literacy Skills (DIBELS)-Diagnostic Benchmark Assessment	(3 x per year) Window 1: 9/16-9/27 Window 2: 1/6-1/17 Window 3: 3/16-3/20	*K-2 Duration: 10-15 min.	Used for instructional purposes	Available upon request; also at parent teacher conferences
Link-It Benchmark Assessments (ELA or Math)	(3 x per year) Window 1:11/18-11/22 Window 2: 2/3-2/7 Window 3: 4/21-4/28	*K-1 Duration: 1 hour	Used for instructional purposes	Available upon request; also at parent teacher conferences
Link Assessments (ELA and Math)	(3 x per year) Window 1: 9/10-10/11 Window 2: 12/2-1/17 Window 3: 2/3-3/13	6-8 & 9-11 Duration: 1 class period (55 minutes)	Used for instructional purposes	Available upon request; also at parent teacher conferences
STAR Benchmark Assessments (Reading and Math)	(3 x per year) Window 1: 9/16-9/27 Window 2: 1/6-1/10 Window 3: 3/6-3/13	2-5 Duration: 15-30 min.	Used for instructional purposes	Available upon request; also at parent teacher conferences

* Denotes if a student is permitted extra time or any other accommodations by their IEP/504. Parent/guardians should contact their guidance office for additional details on accommodations and accessibility options. College Board sponsored tests require a pre-approval of accommodations in advance of the test.