

**ENGLEWOOD PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT
DEPARTMENT OF GUIDANCE AND COUNSELING SERVICES**

NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION HIGH SCHOOL STATE TESTING UPDATE

RE: GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS FOR THE CLASS OF 2016, 2017, 2018, AND 2019

Based on New Jersey's transition from the High School Proficiency Assessment (HSPA) to the Partnership for the Assessment of Readiness for College and Careers (PARCC) End-of-Course assessments, the students in the classes of 2016, 2017, 2018 and 2019 will be able to demonstrate the proficiencies in English Language Arts (ELA) and Mathematics in one of the following ways:

1. Pass the PARCC assessments, *or*
2. Meet the 'cut score' on a substitute assessment, *or*
3. Meet the criteria of the New Jersey Department of Education (NJDOE) portfolio appeal process
4. In addition, Special Education students, whose Individualized Education Plans (IEPs) specify an alternative way to demonstrate proficiencies, will continue to follow the graduation requirements set forth in their IEPs.

The Department of Education indicated that it will announce final 'cut scores' for the PARCC assessments in October, 2015.

Below is an updated list of options for demonstrating graduation proficiency for the classes of 2016, 2017, 2018 and 2019, incorporating updated 'cut scores' for the substitute competency assessments:

	ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS	MATHEMATICS
1.	Passing score on PARCC ELA Grade 9 <i>or</i>	Passing score on PARCC Algebra I <i>or</i>
2.	Passing score on PARCC ELA Grade 10 <i>or</i>	Passing score on PARCC Geometry 1 <i>or</i>
3.	Passing score on PARCC ELA Grade 11 <i>or</i>	Passing score on PARCC Algebra II <i>or</i>
4.	SAT Reading: ≥ 400 <i>or</i>	SAT: ≥ 400 <i>or</i>
5.	ACT Reading or ACT PLAN Reading: ≥ 16 <i>or</i>	ACT or ACT Plan: ≥ 16 <i>or</i>
6.	Accuplacer Write Placer: ≥ 6 <i>or</i>	Accuplacer Elementary Algebra: ≥ 76 <i>or</i>
7.	PSAT10 Reading or PSAT/NMSQT Reading: ≥ 40	PSAT10 or PSAT/NMSQT: ≥ 40 <i>or</i>
8.	ACT Aspire Reading: ≥ 422	ACT Aspire: ≥ 422 <i>or</i>
9.	ASVAB-AFQT Composite: ≥ 31 <i>or</i>	ASVAB-AFQT Composite: ≥ 31 <i>or</i>
10.	Meet the Criteria for the NJDOE Portfolio Appeal	Meet the Criteria for the NJDOE Portfolio Appeal

Legend: " \geq " means "Greater than or equal to"

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U.S. SAT SUBJECT TESTS REGISTRATION DATES AND DEADLINES FOR 2015-2016

Test Dates	Test	U.S. Registration Deadlines (Expire at 11:59 p.m. Eastern Time, U.S.A.)	
		Regular	Late (a fee applies)
October 3, 2015	SAT & Subject Tests	September 3, 2015	September 18, 2015 (for mailed registrations) September 22, 2015 (for registrations made online or by phone)
November 7, 2015	SAT & Subject Tests	October 9, 2015	October 23, 2015 (for mailed registrations) October 27, 2015 (for registrations made online or by phone)
December 5, 2015	SAT & Subject Tests	November 5, 2015	November 20, 2015 (for mailed registrations) November 23, 2015 (for registrations made online or by phone)
January 23, 2016	SAT & Subject Tests	December 28, 2015	January 8, 2016 (for mailed registrations) January 12, 2016 (for registrations made online or by phone)
May 7, 2016	SAT & Subject Tests	April 8, 2016	April 22, 2016 (for mailed registrations) April 26, 2016 (for registrations made online or by phone)
June 4, 2016	SAT & Subject Tests	May 5, 2016	May 20, 2016 (for mailed registrations) May 25, 2016 (for registrations made online or by phone)

The ACT National Test Dates in the U.S., U.S. Territories, and Canada for 2015-2016

Test Date	Registration Deadline	(Late Fee Required)
September 12, 2015	August 7, 2015	August 8–21, 2015
October 24, 2015	September 18, 2015	September 19–October 2, 2015
December 12, 2015	November 6, 2015	November 7–20, 2015
February 6, 2016*	January 8, 2016	January 9–15, 2016
April 9, 2016	March 4, 2016	March 5–18, 2016
June 11, 2016**	May 6, 2016	May 7–20, 2016

*No test centers are scheduled in New York for the February test date. **See [Non-Saturday](#) testing for information related to this test date.