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Dear Parent/Guardian:

For over 40 years, New Jersey has used statewide tests as one way to assess students' annual progress. Last spring, your child participated in the Partnership for Assessment of Readiness for College and Careers (PARCC) tests to measure his or her academic progress toward the New Jersey Student Learning Standards. Evaluating the results from PARCC testing can be a helpful tool in measuring your child's success in school, and it is just one of the many ways your child's teachers and administrators can determine whether he or she is developing the skills and knowledge needed for success throughout school and after graduating high school.

In the third-year of the administration of PARCC, students have continued to significantly improve, and the majority of eligible students are taking all of the tests. Overall, more students advanced into the highest-scoring levels, indicating they are on track for success in college and career when they graduate. In addition, a greater percentage of students advanced beyond the lower end of the proficiency scale, telling us that student gains are occurring across the board.

This year's scores were returned to schools and parents earlier than ever before in New Jersey's history of statewide assessments. The quick turnaround gave educators the opportunity to use the results to tailor classroom instruction to support individual students.

The Individual Student Report you received includes the following:

- An individual score report in each subject that your child was enrolled in for English language arts and mathematics;
- A written explanation indicating where your child is doing well and where he or she may need additional help; and
- Charts and graphics showing how well your student is performing in relation to the [New Jersey Student Learning Standards](#), as well as how his or her performance compares to other students in your school, district and state.

Further information about your child's Individual Student Report, and additional resources to help support your child, can be found on the New Jersey Department of Education's [website](#).

Should you have any questions, contact your building principal.

Sincerely,



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