

**HOLMSTEAD SCHOOL - NJSLA (all grades) and NJSLA SCIENCE (8th and 11th grades)
TESTING – OPT-OUT FORM – Due April 5, 2019**

On February 22, 2019, the State Board of Education approved updated state regulations for the high school graduation assessments requirements in both English language arts (ELA) and mathematics for the Classes of 2019 through 2020.

The classes of 2019 and 2020 can meet graduation assessment requirements through any of three pathways:

- (1) Achieve passing scores on certain NJSLA/PARCC assessments;
- (2) Achieve scores defined on the table below on alternative assessments such as the SAT, ACT, or Accuplacer; or
- (3) Submit, through the district, of a student portfolio to the NJDOE.

Special Education students, whose Individualized Education Plans (IEPs) specify an alternative way to demonstrate proficiencies, will continue to follow the graduation assessment requirements set forth in their IEPs.

Class of 2021 and beyond:

The NJDOE will continue to work with the NJ State Board of Education to address, through the regulatory process, the Appellate Division's December 31, 2018 decision.

CHECK BOXES OF TESTS TO OPT-OUT

NJSLA (April 30 and May 1-2) ALL GRADES

NJSLA SCIENCE (May 29-30) (GRADES 8 and 11) ***Required**

Student First and Last Name * (Print Clearly) _____

Parent or Guardian Name * (Print Clearly) _____

Parent or Guardian Signature *

I attest that I am the parent/guardian of this student and signing this form I consent to my student opting out of all assessments checked above.

Parent or Guardian Signature

ELA and Math Assessment Graduation Requirements for the Classes of 2019 and 2020

This document reflects the high school graduation assessment requirements for the Classes of 2019 and 2020, pursuant to a consent order received by the NJDOE from the Appellate Division of the New Jersey Superior Court. The requirements for the Class of 2019 remain unchanged from the requirements that have been effective since September 6, 2016. However, the requirements for the Class of 2020 were modified through the consent order. Please note the cut scores listed below are the same cut scores that were available to the Class of 2018.

Pathways Available	English Language Arts/Literacy (ELA)	Mathematics
First Pathway: <i>Take and Pass a PARCC/NJSLA Test</i>	NJSLA/PARCC ELA Grade 9 ≥ 750 (Level 4), <i>or</i> NJSLA/PARCC ELA Grade 10 ≥ 750 (Level 4), <i>or</i> NJSLA/PARCC ELA Grade 11 ≥ 725 (Level 3)	PARCC Algebra I ≥ 750 (Level 4), <i>or</i> PARCC Geometry ≥ 725 (Level 3), <i>or</i> PARCC Algebra II ≥ 725 (Level 3)
Second Pathway: <i>Meet Designated Cut Score on One of the Alternative Assessments</i>	SAT Critical Reading (taken before 3/1/16) ≥ 400 , <i>or</i> SAT Evidence-Based Reading and Writing Section (taken 3/1/16 or later) ≥ 450 , <i>or</i> SAT Reading Test (taken 3/1/16 or later) ≥ 22 , <i>or</i> ACT Reading or ACT PLAN Reading ² ≥ 16 , <i>or</i> ACCUPLACER WritePlacer ≥ 6 , <i>or</i> ACCUPLACER WritePlacer ESL ≥ 4 , <i>or</i> PSAT10 Reading or PSAT/NMSQT Reading (taken before 10/1/15) ≥ 40 , <i>or</i> PSAT10 Reading or PSAT/NMSQT Reading (taken 10/1/15 or later) ≥ 22 , <i>or</i> ACT Aspire Reading ² ≥ 422 , <i>or</i> ASVAB-AFQT Composite ≥ 31	SAT Math (taken before 3/1/16) ≥ 400 , <i>or</i> SAT Math Section (taken 3/1/16 or later) ≥ 440 , <i>or</i> SAT Math Test (taken 3/1/16 or later) ≥ 22 , <i>or</i> ACT or ACT PLAN Math ¹ ≥ 16 , <i>or</i> ACCUPLACER Elementary Algebra ≥ 76 , <i>or</i> Next-Generation ACCUPLACER Quantitative Reasoning, Algebra, and Statistics (QAS) (beginning January 2019) ² ≥ 255 , <i>or</i> PSAT10 Math or PSAT/NMSQT Math (taken before 10/1/15) ≥ 40 , <i>or</i> PSAT10 Math or PSAT/NMSQT Math (taken 10/1/15 or later) ≥ 22 , <i>or</i> ACT Aspire Math ² ≥ 422 , <i>or</i> ASVAB-AFQT Composite ≥ 31
Third Pathway: Portfolio Appeals	Meet the criteria of the NJDOE Portfolio Appeal for ELA	Meet the criteria of the NJDOE Portfolio Appeal for Math

¹ Test is no longer administered but can be used for the graduating year.

² Beginning on Monday, January 28, 2019, classic ACCUPLACER tests were no longer available. QAS will replace ACCUPLACER Elementary Algebra.