



# PARCC 2016-2017

*(Partnership for Assessment of Readiness for College and Careers)*

Information for Parents/Guardians of HTHS Students

# Tonight's Objectives

1. Explain the NJ Student Learning Standards
2. Describe how HTHS courses prepare students for PARCC
3. Share the relationship between PARCC and high school graduation

# **New Jersey Student Learning Standards**

- NJ renamed and slightly amended “Common Core State Standards”
- NJ maintained about 84% of the Common Core
- PARCC: Assessment instrument for NJ Student Learning Standards

# PARCC Assessment

- Adopted in 2014 by the New Jersey DOE to test NJ Student Learning Standards
- Computer-based (iPads)
- HS tests are subject specific:
  - Algebra I, Algebra II, and Geometry
  - English 9, English 10, English 11

# How HTHS prepares students for PARCC success

While we do not “teach to the test” we do...

- Emphasize learning across disciplines (lessons with real-world application that include applying reading/writing, math and social studies skills)
- Foster critical thinking
- Encourage students to challenge themselves intellectually

# PARCC Assessment and Local Funding

*“Federal funding of key education programs depends on meeting the requirement of at least ninety-five (95)% participation of students in each subgroup as identified by the No Child Left Behind Act. Without 95% student participation, districts face loss of federal funding.”*

# HS Graduation: Classes of '17-'19

- Students graduating as members of the Classes of 2017, 2018 and 2019 can meet graduation assessment requirements through any of these three pathways:
  - (1) Achieving passing scores on high-level PARCC assessments;
  - (2) Achieving certain scores on alternative assessments such as the SAT, ACT, or Accuplacer; or
  - (3) The submission by the district of a student portfolio through the Department's portfolio appeals process. [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]
- Students who are not proficient by senior year will be placed in a test preparation course

# ELA and Math Assessment Requirements for the Class of 2017

<u>Three Pathways Available</u>	<u>English Language Arts (ELA)</u>	<u>Mathematics</u>
<b>First Pathway</b> <i>Take and Pass a PARCC Test</i>	PARCC ELA Grade 9 $\geq$ 750 (Level 4) <i>or</i> PARCC ELA Grade 10 $\geq$ 750 (Level 4) <i>or</i> PARCC ELA Grade 11 $\geq$ 725 (Level 3)	PARCC Algebra I $\geq$ 750 (Level 4) <i>or</i> PARCC Geometry $\geq$ 725 (Level 3) <i>or</i> PARCC Algebra II $\geq$ 725 (Level 3)
<b>Second Pathway</b> <i>Take and Pass one of the Alternative Assessments</i>	SAT Critical Reading (taken before 3/1/16) $\geq$ 400 <i>or</i> SAT Evidence-Based Reading and Writing Section (taken 3/1/16 or later) $\geq$ 450 <i>or</i> SAT Reading Test (taken 3/1/16 or later) $\geq$ 22 <i>or</i> ACT Reading or ACT PLAN Reading* $\geq$ 16 <i>or</i> Accuplacer WritePlacer $\geq$ 6 <i>or</i> Accuplacer WritePlacer ESL $\geq$ 4 <i>or</i> PSAT10 Reading or PSAT/NMSQT Reading (taken before 10/1/15) $\geq$ 40 <i>or</i> PSAT10 Reading or PSAT/NMSQT Reading (taken 10/1/15 or later) $\geq$ 22 <i>or</i> ACT Aspire Reading* $\geq$ 422 <i>or</i> ASVAB-AFQT Composite $\geq$ 31	SAT Math (taken before 3/1/16) $\geq$ 400 <i>or</i> SAT Math Section (taken 3/1/16 or later) $\geq$ 440 <i>or</i> SAT Math Test (taken 3/1/16 or later) $\geq$ 22 <i>or</i> ACT or ACT PLAN* Math $\geq$ 16 <i>or</i> Accuplacer Elementary Algebra $\geq$ 76 <i>or</i> PSAT10 Math or PSAT/NMSQT Math (taken before 10/1/15) $\geq$ 40 <i>or</i> PSAT10 Math or PSAT/NMSQT Math (taken 10/1/15 or later) $\geq$ 22 <i>or</i> ACT Aspire Math* $\geq$ 422 <i>or</i> ASVAB-AFQT Composite $\geq$ 31
<b>Third Pathway</b> <i>Portfolio Appeals</i>	Meet the criteria of the NJDOE Portfolio Appeal for ELA	Meet the criteria of the NJDOE Portfolio Appeal for Math



# HS Graduation: Class of 2020

- Students in the Class of 2020 can demonstrate graduation assessment proficiency through the same three pathways as those in the Classes of 2017 through 2019, provided that they take all PARCC assessments associated with the high-school level courses for which they were eligible and receive valid scores.
- Students in the Class of 2020 who refuse to test cannot graduate through the alternate pathways.

# ELA and Math Assessment Requirements for the Class of 2020

<u>Three Pathways Available</u>	<u>English Language Arts (ELA)</u>	<u>Mathematics</u>
<p><b>First Pathway</b> Take and Pass a PARCC Test</p>	<p>PARCC ELA Grade 9 <i>or</i> PARCC ELA Grade 10 <i>or</i> PARCC ELA Grade 11</p>	<p>PARCC Algebra I*** <i>or</i> PARCC Geometry <i>or</i> PARCC Algebra II</p>
<p><b>Second Pathway</b> Take and Pass one of the Alternative Assessments</p> <p><i>This Pathway is only available if a student takes all PARCC tests associated with the high-school level courses for which they were eligible and receive valid scores*</i></p>	<p>SAT Reading Test <i>or</i> ACT Reading or ACT PLAN Reading** <i>or</i> Accuplacer WritePlacer <i>or</i> Accuplacer WritePlacer ESL <i>or</i> PSAT10 Reading or PSAT/NMSQT Reading <i>or</i> ACT Aspire Reading** <i>or</i> ASVAB-AFQT Composite</p>	<p>SAT Math Test <i>or</i> ACT or ACT PLAN Math** <i>or</i> Accuplacer Elementary Algebra <i>or</i> PSAT10 Math or PSAT/NMSQT Math <i>or</i> ACT Aspire Math** <i>or</i> ASVAB-AFQT Composite</p>
<p><b>Third Pathway</b> Portfolio Appeals</p> <p><i>This Pathway is only available if a student takes all PARCC tests associated with the high-school level courses for which they were eligible and receive valid scores*</i></p>	<p>Meet the criteria of the NJDOE Portfolio Appeal for ELA</p>	<p>Meet the criteria of the NJDOE Portfolio Appeal for Math</p>

Note: \* "Eligible" is defined as a student who is enrolled in a high-school level course for which there is a PARCC test and receives a valid score. This includes all of these courses: Algebra I, Geometry, Algebra II, ELA 9, ELA 10, and ELA 11. \*\* Test is no longer administered but can be used for the graduating year. \*\*\* The NJDOE is providing flexibility to meet the math assessment requirement for students in the Classes of 2020 and 2021 who completed an Algebra I course prior to the September 6, 2016 effective date of the new high school assessment regulations.

# Potential Issues for Class of 2020

## Refusal to Test

- If a student refuses to take any PARCC Assessment they cannot use an alternate pathway.
- If refusal occurs and the student does not pass a PARCC assessment in ELA and Math they will **NOT GRADUATE.**

# Class of 2021 and Beyond

Beginning with the Class of 2021, students will only have two pathways to meet the high school graduation assessments requirements:

- (1) Pass the ELA 10 and Algebra 1 assessments; or**
- (2) The submission by the district of a student portfolio** through the Department's portfolio appeals process, assuming the student has taken all PARCC assessments associated with the high school level courses for which they were eligible\* and receives valid scores.

## ELA and Math Assessment Requirements for the Class of 2021

<u>Two Pathways Available</u>	<u>English Language Arts (ELA)</u>	<u>Mathematics</u>
<u>First Pathway</u>	Take and Pass PARCC ELA Grade 10	Take and Pass PARCC Algebra I**
<p style="color: red; text-align: center;"><b><i>This Pathway is only available if a student takes all PARCC tests associated with the high-school level courses for which they were eligible*</i></b></p>	Meet the criteria of the NJDOE Portfolio Appeal for ELA	Meet the criteria of the NJDOE Portfolio Appeal for Math

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## Upcoming Events

**4/20/2017**

▶ - BOE Regular Meeting in  
the Paul C. Gilligan Media  
Center HTHS  
7:00 PM - 8:00 PM

**5/18/2017**

**Questions?**

**Comments?**

**Concerns?**