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Dear Allamuchy Parents and Guardians of Students in Grades 3-8,

In accordance with New Jersey Statutes Annotated, N.J.S.A. 18:7C-6.6 New Jersey School Districts are now required to annually notify parents of upcoming State and Federally required standardized testing as well as any other commercially developed standardized assessment to be administered in the upcoming school year. Depending on the grade that your child or children are in, these assessments may vary.

The Allamuchy Township School District will continue with the implementation of the Partnership for Assessment of Readiness for College and Career (PARCC). Students in grades 3-8 will be assessed in the areas of English Language Arts and Mathematics. The actual testing time for your child or children might be spread out over several days and will not take more than a few hours depending on the assessment. Parents of students receiving accommodations in accordance with their Individualized Learning Plan or 504 plan should contact their child's case manager or guidance counselor for more information. The Allamuchy Township School is hoping to assess our students in grades 6-8 the week of April 30, 2018 and our students in grades 3-5 the week of May 7, 2018 prior to lunch.

PARCC Testing window April 16, 2018 through May 25, 2018			
	Grade	Estimated Total Testing Times from 2017	
	Algebra 1 (8 th)	ELA: 5 hours 10 min	Math: 4.5 hours
	6 th - 8 th	ELA: 5 hours 10 min	Math: 4 hours
	$4^{th} \& 5^{th}$	ELA: 4.5 hours	Math: 4 hours
	$3^{\rm rd}$	ELA: 4.25 hours	Math: 4 hours

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This year our 5th and 8th graders will also take an online science assessment in the spring. When more information and dates are available, we will share with our 5th & 8th grade parents.

You can visit the New Jersey Department of Education's assessment web page at <u>http://www.state.nj.us/education/assessment/</u> to find additional information and resources. Information regarding the test and sample test items can be found at <u>https://parcc.pearson.com/practice-tests</u>.

All students are required to take the PARCC assessment, which is one of a variety of tools that we utilize to gather valuable information regarding academic strengths and needs of individual students and our curriculum. Thank you for all you do to support your child and education in our school. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me at (908) 852-1894 x101.

Yours in Education,

Jennífer Gallegly Principal