

EGG HARBOR TOWNSHIP HIGH SCHOOL

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Dear Parent/Guardian(s):

Egg Harbor Township High School will be administering the state-wide assessment, PARCC (Partnership for Assessment of Readiness for College and Careers), from April 16th to May 1st. All students in English I, English II, and English III, as well as students enrolled in Algebra I, Geometry, and Algebra II will be registered to participate. This assessment, along with local district assessments, will provide valuable information for parents, students and teachers in identifying individual student needs.

We will have an alternate extended block schedule (ABCD days) which allows most students to report to testing with their class and with their Math and/or English teacher. Due to time constraints, some students with the extended time accommodation may be scheduled to test outside of their Math and/or English class. The week of April 9th, students will receive written notification of their testing dates, times and locations. Students are not permitted to have cell phones (or any unapproved electronic devices) in their possession while participating in their PARCC assessments.

The New Jersey Department of Education (NJDOE) has a **graduation assessment requirement** in the areas of English Language Arts and Mathematics. The **Class of 2020** can meet the graduation requirement through one of three pathways:

- (1) Achieving passing scores on PARCC ELA and/or Math assessments
- (2) Achieving certain scores on alternative assessments* such as SAT, PSAT, ACT, ASVAB, etc
- (3) Submission of a student portfolio through the NJDOE's portfolio appeals process*

****Students in the Class of 2020 MUST participate and receive valid scores on all eligible PARCC assessments in order to use an alternate assessment or the portfolio process to meet the graduation requirement***

A detailed document outlining the graduation assessment requirements is posted on the guidance website under *Graduation Requirements*. A summary of that document is on the reverse side of this letter. Thank you for continuing to support your child's education. If you have any questions, please reach out to the guidance office.

Sincerely,

Terry Charlton

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