MADISON HIGH SCHOOL

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Madison High School Families,

Current 11th grade students are scheduled to take the New Jersey Graduation Performance Assessment (NJGPA) next week beginning Tuesday, March 12th through Friday, March 15th. This is the third year of a new assessment for 11th grade students and is part of the <u>updated graduation assessment requirements</u> for students in the Class of 2025. The assessment is aligned to New Jersey State Learning Standards from tenth grade English, Algebra I and Geometry. This test is mandatory and students may not opt out.

Reminders:

- 11th graders should arrive at school by 7:30 am to provide enough time to get checked in and arrive at their testing location. Testing room rosters will be hanging in the lobby the morning of testing. Testing will begin promptly at 7:45 am.
- 11th graders should bring a **fully charged chromebook**, their **chromebook charger**, **headphones** compatible with their chromebook, **pencils**, and a charged **calculator** for math units.
- If students end a unit early, they are only permitted to sit quietly and read. No electronic devices are permitted.
- Testing will consist of four, 90-minute units (2 English / 2 Math) with one unit being completed each day.
- The state has scheduled makeup exams for the week of March 18th, however we will do our best to schedule an 11th grader that misses a day of testing during the original week of testing. If you know you are going to be absent during testing, please notify Ms. Internicola (internicolac@madisonnjps.org) immediately so we can schedule makeup dates.

Bell Schedule for Tuesday, March 12th through Friday, March 15th

We will run four delayed openings for 9th, 10th, and 12th graders to accommodate 11th graders testing. The bell schedule is listed below. Classes will begin for all students at 9:45 am. Please note the following:

- Bus pick up and drop of times will remain on their normal operating schedule. Students that require the bus, but are not testing can report to the main gymnasium until testing is complete.
- All 9th, 10th, or 12th graders should report to the **main gymnasium** upon arrival and will be dismissed when testing is complete. Students not testing should begin to arrive at 9:30 am in advance of their classes beginning, but are free to arrive as they would on a regularly scheduled day.
- On Friday, March 15th, all ninth grade students are required to report to the auditorium by 8:30 am for a 45-minute presentation by <u>Prevention is Key</u>. The program, "Don't Get Vaped In", discusses the harmful

effects vaping has on the body in addition to regulations and policies and strategies for how to quit or stay away completely from vaping.

- There will be no zero period at the beginning of the day or support period at the end.
- No breakfast will be served on testing days due to testing in the cafeteria.

Delayed Opening Bell Schedule - NJGPA Testing

Block	Time	Length	Tuesday 3/12 "A" Day	Wednesday 3/13 "B" Day	Thursday 3/14 "C" Day	Friday 3/15 "D" Day
NJGPA Testing	7:45 am - 9:40 am	115 minutes	ELA - Unit 1	ELA - Unit 2	Math - Unit 1	Math - Unit 2
1	9:45 am - 10:27 am	42 minutes	Period 1	Period 2	Period 3	Period 4
2	10:30 am - 11:13 am	43 minutes	Period 2	Period 3	Period 4	Period 1
3	11:16 am - 11:58 am	42 minutes	Period 3	Period 4	Period 1	Period 2
Lunch	11:58 am - 12:28 pm	30 minutes	Lunch			
4	12:28 pm - 1:10 pm	42 minutes	Period 5	Period 6	Period 7	Period 8
5	1:13 pm - 1:55 pm	42 minutes	Period 6	Period 7	Period 8	Period 5
6	1:58 pm - 2:40 pm	42 minutes	Period 7	Period 8	Period 5	Period 6

Good luck to all of our 11th graders testing and thank you for the flexibility to accommodate the revised schedule.

Regards,

Dave Drechsel Principal

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