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Dear Parents and Guardians,

Beginning May 6, 2024 students in grades 7 and 8 will be participating in the New Jersey Student Learning Assessment (NJSLA), which assesses students' knowledge and understanding of the New Jersey State Learning Standards in English Language Arts/Literacy, mathematics, and science (only grade 8). Below are the statewide assessment unit times:

|        | ELA<br>Grades 7-8 | Math Grades<br>7-8 | Algebra I | Science<br>Grade 8 |
|--------|-------------------|--------------------|-----------|--------------------|
| Unit I | 90                | 60                 | 90        | 45                 |
| Unit 2 | 90                | 60                 | 90        | 45                 |
| Unit 3 | -                 | 60                 | -         | 45                 |
| Unit 4 | -                 | -                  | -         | 45                 |

On testing days, students must bring their school issued Chromebook fully charged. Components of the NJGPA-ELA test include audio clips; therefore, students are permitted and encouraged to bring their own wired earbuds/headphones. Wireless earbuds are not compatible with the test platform. All cell phones and smartwatches are prohibited in testing rooms. All personal devices need to be left at home or will be collected by the test administrator to avoid a security breach. Please encourage your child to do his/her best work.

If you have any questions, please contact your student's counselor.

Thank you for your continued support in making this a positive experience for your child.

Sincerely,

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