

Ocean Township High School

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Dear Parent/Guardian:

Ocean Township High School will once again administer the Partnership for Assessment of Readiness for College and Career (PARCC) tests. The State of New Jersey Department of Education requires these assessments for any student enrolled in **Algebra I, Geometry, Algebra II, English II**, and **English III** at any time during the 2016-2017 school year.

Students enrolled in any of the PARCC courses listed above either in the Fall or the Spring semesters will be scheduled to test. Ocean Township High School will administer the PARCC as follows:

Students taking	Will test on the following dates	
Semester 1 Math (Algebra 1, Geometry, Algebra 2)	January 4, 5, 6	
Semester 1 English	January 9, 10, 11	
Semester 2 Math (Algebra 1, Geometry, Algebra 2)	May 17, 18, 19	
Semester 2 English	May 22, 23, 24	

Testing will be scheduled for the first two hours of each day. We will then follow a delayed opening bell schedule. All periods will meet each day so that instruction may continue in all classes.

Please remember the State of New Jersey requires that all students pass a standardized assessment as part of their graduation requirement. The PARCC has been one way to satisfy that graduation requirement; however, students graduating in the class of 2020 must take every PARCC assessment while in high school in order to meet the graduation requirement. Please review the enclosed graduation requirements for all grade levels provided by the New Jersey Department of Education.

We urge you to impress upon your child the importance of being present in school on these days and doing his/her very best on these assessments.

Sincerely

Dawn C. Kaszuba

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