# Sample Letter to Parents on the New Jersey Student Learning Assessments (NJSLA) Individual Student Reports (ISRs)

Below is a sample letter that school districts can place on district letterhead and distribute to parents/guardians along with the printed copies of the New Jersey Student Learning Assessments (NJSLA) Individual Student Reports (ISR).

Dear Parent/Guardian:

In the spring, your student participated in the New Jersey Student Learning Assessments (NJSLA) administration to measure their academic performance in English language arts (ELA), mathematics, and science as defined in the New Jersey Student Learning Standards (NJSLS). Evaluating the results from statewide testing can be a helpful tool in measuring your student’s success in school. For decades, New Jersey has used statewide assessments as a valuable instrument for assessing our students’ annual progress.

Included with this letter you will find one report for each content area in which your student tested. The reports illustrate how your student performed on each test. There are also charts and graphics that show you how your student performed in relation to the [New Jersey Student Learning Standards](https://www.nj.gov/education/standards/) available at nj.gov/education/standards/ and how your student’s performance compares to other students in their school, district, and the state.

Your student’s Individual Student Reports (ISRs) are also available in the [New Jersey Parent Portal at](https://nj-results.pearsonaccessnext.com/login) nj-results.pearsonaccessnext.com. The online portal includes your student’s scale score, level of performance, and a video explanation of the score report. The video report communicates information from the ISR through animations and a voiceover in New Jersey’s top five languages: English, Spanish, Chinese, Portuguese, and Arabic. The portal allows you to track your student’s scores from year to year, beginning with spring 2019. If this is the first time you will be accessing the online portal, you must create an account using the unique claim code that is located on your student’s paper ISR.

Additional resources to help support your student can be found on the [New Jersey Assessments Resource Center](https://nj.mypearsonsupport.com/ForParent/) at nj.mypearsonsupport.com/ForParent/ under the following headings:

* *Parent Resources:*

Content and test information for ELA, mathematics, and science are available under the NJSLA dropdown.

* *Test Preparation:*

Tutorials demonstrate the navigation and tools available for computer-based assessments. Practice tests for ELA, mathematics, and science are also available and are designed to allow users to view and interact with the sample items in the same way students interacted with them during testing.

* *Reporting Guides & Resources:*

The Parent Score Interpretation Guide is available in New Jersey’s top five languages: English, Spanish, Chinese, Portuguese, and Arabic.

* *Released Items:*

The Digital Item Library provides access to items previously administered on NJSLA ELA, Math, and Science tests. New Meridian Item Library provides access to released items to allow educators, students, parents, and guardians to become familiar with the various items previously administered on the NJSLA ELA and Math tests.

If you have any questions, please contact XXXX.

Sincerely,

<Insert Superintendent Name>