



STATE OF NEW JERSEY  
**DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**

A Memo from the New Jersey Department of Education

Date: August 17, 2018  
To: Chief School Administrators, Charter School and Renaissance School Project Leads  
Route To: Principals, Guidance Counselors, Instructional Coaches, District Test Coordinators and Assistant Superintendents of Curriculum and Instruction  
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Deadline for Reporting Results to Local School Boards of Education: October 16, 2018 (60 days after August 17)

### **Spring 2018 Statewide Assessments Results**

The New Jersey Department of Education (NJDOE) would like to thank districts' staff for their administration of the 2018 statewide assessments. As we thoughtfully transition to the next generation of statewide assessments, we continue to advance and improve processes in support of our students and educators.

**This memo serves to inform districts that all paper Partnership for Assessment of Readiness for College and Careers (PARCC) and Dynamic Learning Maps (DLM) Individual Student Reports (ISRs) have been distributed to district central offices as of August 17, 2018.**

The NJDOE strongly encourages school and district leaders to review, analyze and discuss the results with staff educators, as soon as possible. To support your efforts, the NJDOE has developed resources to assist districts in communicating statewide assessment results.

The following resources may be modified by districts, as necessary, to better support the sharing of PARCC results with educators, boards of education and parents:

- [Sample cover letter for the mailing of Individual Student Reports](#)
- [Parent score report guide for English language arts \(ELA\)](#)
- [Parent score report guide for mathematics](#)
- [Sample PowerPoint template for reporting statewide assessment results to local boards of education](#)

Resources to assist with the sharing of DLM results can be found on the [DLM homepage](#) under the section titled Scoring and Reporting.

As a reminder, **districts must report statewide assessment results to local school boards.**<sup>1</sup> Please remember that some high schools administered the PARCC assessment in the fall and the results were returned to districts in the spring. **If a district administered the fall block assessment and has not yet publicly presented the results, the district must present both fall and spring results to the public by October 16, 2018 (60 days after August 17).**

All districts have been provided with paper and electronic copies of each Individual Student Report (ISR). The paper copies of the ISRs were sent to both the sending and receiving districts for students that receive instruction

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<sup>1</sup> N.J.A.C. 6A:8-4.3(a): *Chief school administrators shall report preliminary and final results of annual assessments to district boards of education within 60 days of receipt of information from the Department.*

at a school other than their accountable school. **Once districts receive the ISRs, a copy should be mailed to parents as soon as possible so that they receive the reports with the start of the school year.**

Additional resources for districts and parents on the score reports can be found on the NJDOE Office of Assessment's webpage and at [understandthescore.org](http://understandthescore.org). For your planning purposes, the NJDOE plans to publicly release school- and district-level data in early fall.

If you have any questions, please contact the Office of Assessments at (609) 376-3468 or [assessment@doe.nj.gov](mailto:assessment@doe.nj.gov).

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