



STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

A Memo from the New Jersey Department of Education

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To: Local Educational Agency Leads, Directors of Approved Private Schools for Students with Disabilities

Route To: Principals, School Counselors, Instructional Coaches, District Test Coordinators, Assistant Superintendents of Curriculum and Instruction

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Deadlines: N.J.A.C. 6A:8-4.3(b): 30 days for mailing paper Individual Student Reports (ISRs) to parents/guardians upon receipt
N.J.A.C. 6A:8-4.3(a): 60 days for reporting results to local school boards of education upon receipt of results

Spring 2023 New Jersey Graduation Proficiency Assessment Results

The spring 2023 New Jersey Graduation Proficiency Assessment (NJGPA) results provide necessary information as LEAs determine graduation readiness for students expected to graduate with the Class of 2024. LEAs are encouraged to review these results in conjunction with locally administered assessments to determine the optimum mechanism to support learning and mastery of the state's rigorous standards.

LEA Receipt of Individual Student Reports (ISRs)

By June 29, 2023, ISRs for NJGPA will be sent directly to each LEA's central office. There is a single ISR for each student with the results for each component of the NJGPA.

ISRs will be sent to both the sending and receiving LEAs for students who receive their instruction at a school other than their accountable school. **Once LEAs receive the ISRs, the accountable LEA must mail a copy home to parents/guardians within 30 days, no later than July 31, 2023.**¹ The New Jersey Department of Education (NJDOE) encourages LEAs to share the ISRs with students' families as soon as practicable to facilitate the timely distribution of student results. To support these communication efforts, a sample parent cover letter is linked below in the District Communication Resources section of this memo.

District and State Reporting

Summative and summary files were made available electronically to assigned school and district staff on June 9, 2023. LEAs are strongly encouraged to review, analyze, and discuss all assessment results with the appropriate staff as soon as possible. The results of the spring 2023 NJGPA provide essential information to assist LEAs in identifying students who have not yet met the State graduation assessment requirement and may need to take or retake one or both components of the assessment during the upcoming summer or fall testing windows.

¹ Per N.J.A.C. 6A:8-4.3(b): Chief school administrators shall provide educators, parents, and students with the results of annual assessments as required under N.J.A.C. 6A:8-4.2(a), within 30 days of receipt of information from the Department.

Reporting Requirement

LEAs must report statewide assessment results to local school boards within 60 days of receipt, no later than August 29, 2023.² The report must include aggregated and disaggregated subgroup data, comparative analyses, and appropriate intervention strategies.³ The number of students for reporting is a minimum of 10, as per suppression rules applied to student data to protect student confidentiality.

For LEA awareness, the NJDOE plans to publicly release district- and school-level data and school-level participation and performance data disaggregated by student subgroup in the future.

District Communication Resources

The following resources are available to assist LEAs with the sharing of NJGPA results:

- A sample cover letter for the mailing of spring 2023 NJGPA ISRs can be accessed on the [NJSLA/NJGPA Resources for Districts](#) webpage under the heading **Forms and Templates**.
- The score report interpretation guide for NJGPA is posted on the [New Jersey Assessments Resource Center](#) under **Educator Resources > Educator Reporting Resources**.
- A sample PowerPoint template for reporting spring 2023 NJGPA results to local boards of education can be accessed on the [NJSLA/NJGPA Resources for Districts](#) webpage under the heading **Forms and Templates**.

Online Parent Portal

In addition to the paper ISRs, the 2023 NJGPA results will be accessible in the online portal for parents/guardians by June 29, 2023. The portal allows parents/guardians to add new assessment results by using the unique claim code on their student's ISR and view previously added assessment results, beginning with the spring 2019 results.

Contact Information

For any questions regarding the release of spring 2023 NJGPA statewide assessment results, please contact the Office of Assessments at (609) 376-3960 or assessment@doe.nj.gov.

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² Per N.J.A.C. 6A:8-4.3(a): Chief School Administrators shall report final results of annual assessments to district boards of education and members of the public at a public meeting within 60 days of receipt of information from the Department.

³ N.J.A.C. 6A:30: Evaluation of the Performance of School Districts Appendix A and B.