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To: Local Educational Agency Leads, Directors of Approved Private Schools

for Students with Disabilities

Route To: District Testing Coordinators, District Technology Coordinators, School

**Test Coordinators** 

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## NJSLA-Adaptive and NJGPA-Adaptive Fall 2025 Field Test Accommodations and Accessibility Features

This memorandum provides local education agencies (LEAs) and approved private schools for students with disabilities (APSSDs) with information about the accommodations and accessibility features available for the New Jersey Student Learning Assessments-Adaptive (NJSLA-Adaptive) and New Jersey Graduation Proficiency Assessment-Adaptive (NJGPA-Adaptive) Fall 2025 Field Test.

## **Accommodations and Accessibility Features**

We are pleased to inform you that all accessibility features and accommodations previously available in our former assessment platform will be fully carried forward into the new assessment platform. This ensures continuity of support for all students requiring accommodations and minimizes any disruption to their testing experience.

Examples of accommodations and features that will remain available include, but are not limited to:

- **Extended Time** Students approved for extended time should continue to receive the appropriate time multipliers.
- **Text-to-Speech** This feature will remain available for students requiring auditory access to test content.
- Masking and Color Contrast Adjustments Students will be able to use masking tools and adjust screen contrast settings to meet their individual needs.
- **Answer Masking and Line Reader Tools** These tools will continue to support students with attention or processing challenges.

The New Jersey Department of Education (NJDOE) is currently working with CAI to explore the possibility, ease, and utility of additional accommodations potentially available in future assessment administrations beyond the Fall 2025 Field Test.

The NJDOE will continue to provide training and support materials to ensure a smooth transition and successful testing experience for all users. For additional information on training, please see the NJDOE's September 12, 2025 <u>broadcast</u> NJSLA-Adaptive and NJGPA-Adaptive Fall 2025 Field Test Training Information Update.

## **Contact Information**

For questions, please contact the Office of Assessments at (609) 376-3960 or <a href="mailto:assessment@doe.nj.gov">assessment@doe.nj.gov</a>.

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