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Greetings Montclair Public Schools' Parents/Guardians and Staff,

The attached Montclair Public Schools Summary of State and District Testing for 2020-2021 provides a high-level overview of standardized assessments and other assessments given to students in our district. These include tests used for state graduation requirements as determined by the New Jersey State Department of Education (NJDOE). To ensure our parents/guardians and staff have current information relative to NJDOE's updated graduation requirements, this document was prepared to communicate the revised graduation requirements for the New Jersey Student Learning Assessments (NJSLA):

- We are currently waiting on the NJDOE to release more information about test administration dates etc.
- For details on NJ State Graduation Testing Requirements as of July 2019: <http://www.state.nj.us/education/assessment/parents/GradReq.pdf>

Tests detailed in the attachment are listed below:

- New Jersey Student Learning Assessment - English Language Arts (ELA) and Math (NJSLA-E, NJSLA-M) ELA grades 3-11 and Mathematics grades 3-8,
- New Jersey Student Learning Assessment - Science (NJSLA-S) Grade 5, 8 & 11 state science assessment,
- ACCESS 2.0 for English Language Learners (ELL) - an assessment for K-12 students who have English as a secondary language,
- Dynamic Learning Maps (DLM) for ELA and Math - an alternate assessment for students with significant intellectual disabilities in ELA and Math,
- The Preliminary SAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test (PSAT) - an assessment given to 11th grade students,
- District Algebra Placement Test - an assessment for students in grades 5 and 6,
- District Midterms and Final Exams - K-12 classroom assessment that varies by grade/subject,
- Renaissance Learning (RL) - a teacher tool to gather data to personalize instruction (grades K -8),

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- GO Math Assessments - a teacher tool to gather data to personalize instruction (grades K-5)
- Developmental Reading Assessment, 2nd edition (DRA-2) - K-5 district reading assessment,
- SAIL Placement Tests - assessments in English Language Arts (grades 6-8) and mathematics (grades 3-5),
- Accuplacer - an optional college placement test for seniors,
- Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery assessment (ASVAB) - an optional assessment for seniors,
- Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT) - an optional college placement test for seniors,
- American College Test (ACT) - an optional college placement test for seniors,
- Avant STAMP Testing - an assessment administered to all 8th grade students to measure individual proficiency in the domains of reading, writing, listening, and speaking in a target language.

Assessment administration dates may vary by school/teacher and parents/guardians will be notified once scheduled. Please contact your child's principal should you have any questions or concerns about your child's performance on district and/or state assessments.

Respectfully,

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