



Jersey Shore Area School District

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Jersey Shore Area Middle School

Dear Parents/Guardians of Middle School Students,

Spring has sprung and I am sure all of our calendars reflect this. There is a lot going on in the lives of our Middle School students. The calendar here at school is also very full as we look ahead to these final few months of the 2024-25 school year. Field trips, sporting competitions, musical performances, recognition & reward events are just a few of the items filling our daily schedules. In addition to all of this, the academic expectations remain. We have continued to emphasize our Habits of a Bulldog Nation, and it is during these busy seasons that our habits help us stay grounded and focused. Hopefully, you all will see and discuss your students' Habits of a Bulldog Nation rubric that will come home on April 4th and the impact their habits have on their daily success and achievements.

In light of all of this, I want to bring to your attention the annual habit of standardized testing in the form of PSSAs. Later this month, our building (along with all other districts in Pennsylvania) will enter into the testing season. The dates we will be administering these tests are listed below and we ask that you help support your students by encouraging them to approach each test day like any other – by being at their best and helping others be at theirs.

This spring's testing dates are as follows:

- Wednesday April 23 – ELA PSSA Section 1
- Thursday, April 24 – ELA PSSA Section 2
- Friday, April 25 – ELA PSSA Section 3

- Tuesday, April 29 – Math PSSA Section 1
- Wednesday, April 30 – Math PSSA Section 2
- Thursday, May 1 – Science PSSA Section 1 (8th Grade Only)
- Friday, May 2 – Science PSSA Section 2 (8th Grade Only)

During these testing days, we ask for your support in making sure students are present and on time, as testing begins first thing in the morning. If an assessment is missed, we will need to adjust your student's class schedule in order to complete their assessments within the testing window.

Finally, please see the attached letters from PDE regarding test security and other general information. As always, we appreciate your continued support and look forward to a successful spring and final marking period.

Respectfully,

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