



LEVITTOWN PUBLIC SCHOOLS
Northside School
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Success for Every Student

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Dear Parents/ Guardians;

It may be hard to believe but Spring is nearly upon us! As you know, this is traditionally the time of year that the New York State administers assessments in grades 3-8 in ELA and Mathematics.

These annual ELA and Math tests for students in grades 3-8 are required by the federal Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) of 2015. The tests are designed to measure how well students are mastering the learning standards that guide classroom instruction and help to ensure that students are learning the ability to use critical thinking, problem solving, and reasoning skills.

Grades 3-8 ELA and Math tests consist of two testing sessions each (untimed). This means that students will take each subject test over two testing days. The ELA and Math Tests include multiple choice and open-ended questions, which assess the grade-level learning standards. The questions require students to apply their knowledge and, in open-ended response, explain their reasoning. Students will read texts, write responses, and solve real-world word problems, all of which are foundational skills necessary for success in their next grade.

The calendar established by the NYS Department of Education for the 2021-22 school year will be administered as follows:

	NYS ELA		NYS Math		NYS Science	
Grade	Test Dates	Make Ups	Test Dates	Makeups	Test Date	Makeups
3	March 29 th -30 th	April 1 st – 8 th	April 26 th -27 th	April 29 th - May 9 th		
4	March 29 th -30 th	April 1 st – 8 th	April 26 th -27 th	April 29 th - May 9 th	June 6 th	June 7 th – 10 th
5	March 29 th -30 th	April 1 st – 8 th	April 26 th -27 th	April 29 th - May 9 th		

We recognize that parents will make decisions that they believe to be in the best interest of their children. To that end, we request that each family fill out our **State Assessment Participation Form** located on your home school’s website no later than **Friday, March 18th** so that building administrative teams can safely and appropriately plan for all students on those dates. We ask that you complete this form even if you have already sent in a letter or email to the building regarding your wishes. Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

The link for Northside School can be found here: <https://forms.gle/npV4GuHtNikkyJwb9>

Sincerely,

Frank Mortillaro, Principal