

Dear Parents/Guardians:

New this year, federal and state requirements call for students to be administered a fall assessment, *Start Strong*. The Start Strong Assessments will be administered on Tuesday, October 19th; Wednesday, October 20th; and Thursday, October 21st. These assessments are required to be given during early fall 2021 and are in addition to the Spring New Jersey Student Learning Standards (NJSLS) assessments in English Language Arts (ELA), Mathematics, and Science.

[NJSLS Assessment Information](#)

Tuesday	October 19th	Science grades 9 and 12
Wednesday	October 20th	ELA grades 9 and 10
Thursday	October 21st	Students in grades 9 & 10 enrolled in Algebra 1, Geometry and/or Algebra 2

Start Strong Assessments are computer based tests which students will take on their district issued device. If your student has chosen not to borrow a district issued device for the year, a device will be provided for them to use with these assessments. The assessments are approximately 1 hour each and will be given during the first class of the day.

Students should bring wired headphones/earbuds and a graphing calculator. All other electronic devices such as cellphones and watches should be turned off and placed in their backpacks before reporting to testing. Students will be instructed to place their bags against the walls in their testing classroom.

For a comprehensive list of the required assessments administered in the Lenape Regional High School District please visit our [LRHSD Testing website](#), which is updated to reflect required assessments.

As always, it is advisable for every student to get a good night's sleep and eat a healthy breakfast before testing. Thank you for your support in making your child's testing experience as successful as possible. If you have any questions or concerns regarding the assessments, please contact your child's school counselor or our testing coordinator, John McMichael, at 856-983-5140 x. 220900 or at jmcmichael@lrhsd.org

Sincerely,

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