Kenilworth Assessment Calendar
2023-2024

Harding Elementary School

Date	Event	Staff
October 9-13th	DIBELS	Grades 1-2
October 9-13th	Renaissance Benchmark Assessment	Grades 3-12
October 9-13th	Running Records	Grades K-6
February 5th-9th 2024	DIBELS Mid-Year Assessment	Grades K-2
February 5th-9th 2024	Renaissance Benchmark Assessment	Grades 3-12 ELA and Math
February 12-15, 2024	Running Records	Grades K-6
TBD	NAEP Math and Reading (District will be Notified)	Grades 4, 8, 12
February 5-March 29, 2024	ACCESS for ELL	Grades K-12
April 8-May 31, 2024	DLM ELA Window (Selected Students)	Grades 3-8, 11
	DLM Math Window (Selected Students)	Grades 3-8, 11
	DLM Science Window (Selected Students)	Grade 5, 8, 11
May 1th-10th , 2024 (make up May 28th-31st)	NJSLA ELA Assessment	Grade 3-11
	NJSLA Math Assessment	Grade 3-9
	NJSLA Science Assessment	Grades 5,8,11
June 3-7th, 2024	DIBELS End-of-Year Assessment	K-2
June 3-7th, 2024	Running Records	Grades K-6
June 3-7th, 2024	Renaissance Benchmark Assessment	Grades 3-12 ELA and Math

Brearley Middle High School

Date	Event	Staff
October 9th-13th, 2023	Renaissance Benchmark Assessment	Grades 3-12 EL and Math
October 10, 2023 to October 16, 2023	NJGPA (Select Students)	Grades 11-12
October 19th, 2023	PSAT	Grades 10 &11
January 23rd-26	High School Midterms	Grades 9-12
February 5th-9th, 2024	Renaissance Benchmark Assessment	Grades 3-12 ELA and Math
TBD	NAEP Math and Reading (District will be Notified)	Grades 4, 8, 12
March 5th and 6th 2024	ACCESS for ELL (Select Students)	Grades K-12
March 11-15th 2024 (makeup 18th-22nd)	NJ State Graduation Proficiency (NJGPA)	Grades 11
April 8-May 31, 2024	DLM ELA Window (Select Students)	Grades 3-8, 11
	DLM Math Window (Select Students)	Grades 3-8, 11
	DLM Science Window (Select Students)	Grade 5, 8, 11
May 7-16th 2024	AP testing (Select Students)	Grades 10-12
May 16th- May 23rd, 2024 (make up May 28th-31st)	NJSLA ELA Assessment	Grade 3-11
	NJSLA Math Assessment	Grade 3-9
	NJSLA Science Assessment	Grades 5,8,11
June 3-7, 2024	Renaissance Benchmark Assessment	Grades K-12
June 11-14th, 2024	High School Final Exams	Grades 9-12

Description of Assessments:

ACCESS:

- ❖ The ACCESS for ELL students is an English language proficiency assessment given to students who have been identified as English language learners. The ACCESS for ELL is given annually as the WIDA to monitor students' progress in acquiring academic English.
- ❖ The exam takes 35-75 minutes to complete.
- ❖ Accommodations and accessibility features will be available to students on an as-needed basis.
- ❖ Required by federal mandate
- ❖ For more information about this assessment, please visit the Resources Link here.

AP Testing:

- ❖ The Advance Placement Exam (AP Exam) is the final step after a year in an AP class. AP is designed to measure how well a student has mastered the content and skills of the course. A successful score could earn a student credit and advanced placement in college.
- ❖ Each exam takes between 2-3 hours, depending on the assessment.
- ❖ Accommodations and accessibility features will be available to students on an as-needed basis.
- ❖ Required to complete program and/or for college credit eligibility
- ❖ For more information on AP and College Boards and practice questions, visit here

DIBELS:

- ❖ DIBELS is a set of procedures and measures for assessing the acquisition of early literacy skills from kindergarten through second grade. DIBELS is designed to be short (one-minute) fluency measures used to regularly monitor the development of early literacy and early reading skills. DIBELS provides indicators of phonemic awareness, alphabetic principle, accuracy and fluency with connected text, reading comprehension, and vocabulary. DIBELS utilizes and identifies children experiencing difficulty in the acquisition of basic early literacy skills and provides timely support to assist and prevent the occurrence of later reading difficulties.
- ❖ Accommodations and accessibility features will be available to students on an as-needed basis.
- ❖ Local mandate

DLM:

- ❖ The Dynamic Learning Maps (DLM) is an adaptive computer-based assessment that will be administered to the one percent of students with the most significant cognitive impairments. The assessment examines student progress toward achieving the New Jersey Learning Standards (NJLS) in English Language Arts and Mathematics.
- ❖ On average, the DLM takes 2.5 hours to complete.
- ❖ Accommodations and accessibility features will be available to students on an as-needed basis.
- ❖ Federal mandate

NAEP:

- ❖ NAEP is a computer-based assessment of mathematics, reading, science, writing, the arts, civics, economics, geography, U.S. history, technology, and engineering (TEL). NAEP produces the Nation's Report Card to inform the public about the academic achievement of elementary and secondary students in the United States. Sponsored by the Department of Education, NAEP collects and reports academic achievement at the national level and, for certain assessments, at the state and district level.
- ❖ Students spend between 90 and 120 minutes taking the assessment, including time to complete a survey questionnaire.
- ❖ Accommodations and accessibility features will be available to students on an as-needed basis.
- ❖ For more information about NAEP, please visit here
- ❖ NJDOE mandated

NJGPA:
- ❖ The New Jersey Graduation Proficiency Assessment (NJPGA) consists of an ELA and a mathematics component to be administered to students in grade 11 for the purpose of meeting the state graduation assessment requirement. Each assessment is typically administered in a computer-based (CBT) format, although paper-based testing (PBT) is available as an accommodation. ELA assessments will focus on writing effectively when analyzing text. Mathematics assessments will focus on applying skills and concepts and understanding multi-step problems that require abstract reasoning and modeling real-world problems, precision, perseverance, and strategic use of tools. Science assessments will focus on applying scientific concepts and practices within the domains of Earth & space, life, and physical science. Students will demonstrate their acquired skills and knowledge by answering selected response items, constructed response items, and technology-enhanced questions.
- ❖ Total of 180 minutes per subject area to complete.
- ❖ Accommodations and accessibility features will be available to students on an

as-needed basis.
- ❖ [Please visit here](#) to access your parent portal, sample questions, and preparation materials for these assessments.
- ❖ NJDOE mandate

NJSLA:

- ❖ NJSLA is a computer-based assessment of Mathematics, English Language Arts, and Science that measures whether students are on track to succeed in college and their careers and if they are meeting the New Jersey Student Learning Standards (NJSLS). These assessments also assist teachers to customize learning to meet their student's needs
- ❖ Up to 120 minutes per day in each subject area to complete.
- ❖ Accommodations and accessibility features will be available to students on an as-needed basis.
- ❖ [Please visit here](#) to access your parent portal, sample questions, and preparation materials for these assessments.
- ❖ Federal mandate

PSAT:

- ❖ The PSAT assesses the critical reading, mathematics, and writing skills students need for college and beyond. The PSAT provides detailed feedback on skills, access to scholarships, and personalized online tools and is an excellent practice for the SAT.
- ❖ To access practice tests, please visit [here](#).
- ❖ Not mandated

Renaissance Benchmark Assessments:

- ❖ Renaissance is a platform that increases student growth and proficiency through standards-based assessment and skill development in math or ELA, personalized goal setting, and mastery.
- ❖ Total of 120 minutes. Three 40-minute sessions across the year.
- ❖ Accommodations and accessibility features will be available to students on an as-needed basis.
- ❖ Local mandate

Running Records:

- ❖ Running Records determine students' independent and instructional reading levels, allow teachers to observe student reading behaviors one-on-one, engage in comprehension conversations beyond retelling, and make informed decisions that connect assessment to instruction.

- ❖ Running records take 5-15 minutes to complete.
- ❖ Accommodations and accessibility features will be available to students on an as-needed basis.
- ❖ Local mandate

Midterms and Finals:

- ❖ Examinations are integral aspects of the learning experience at David Brearley High School. As a reflection of the learning experience, a midterm/final examination should challenge students at their various levels of thinking abilities. Examinations should also evaluate students' mastery of specific skills taught in each course. Therefore, the kinds of questions asked in examinations should demand that students demonstrate mastery of specific skills like computation and reading, apply critical thinking at various levels from recall to synthesis and evaluation, and express an understanding of course content in cogent and intelligible writing. See the handbook [here](#).

Classes of 2023–2025 High School Graduation Assessment Requirements

On Tuesday, July 5, 2022, Governor Murphy signed P.L.2022, c.60 (ACS for A-3196/S-2349), which requires the State Board of Education to administer the New Jersey Graduation Proficiency Assessment (NJGPA) as a field test for the class of 2023. There is no graduation assessment requirement for any student who is expected to graduate with the class of 2023. Students in the class of 2023 must still meet all the other State and local graduation requirements, including but not limited to credit, curriculum, and attendance requirements. The graduation assessment requirements for the classes of 2024 and 2025 remain in place.

Class of 2024 and 2025 (Updated May 2023)

On May 3, 2023, the State Board of Education approved the graduation-ready cut score for the ELA and mathematics components of the NJGPA, as well as the menu of alternative assessments and aligned cut scores.

The requirements in this section were adopted by the New Jersey State Board of Education on September 8, 2021, for the classes of 2023–2025.

English Language Arts and Literacy (ELA)

If, after completing the New Jersey Graduation Proficiency Assessment in grade 11, students did not demonstrate proficiency by passing the ELA component, such students may access the following pathways:

- Second Pathway: By meeting the designated cut score on a substitute competency test such as the PSAT, SAT, ACT, or ACCUPLACER or

- Third Pathway: By submitting, through the district, a student portfolio appeal to the New Jersey Department of Education.

Mathematics

If, after completing the required New Jersey Graduation Proficiency Assessment in grade 11, students did not demonstrate proficiency by passing the mathematics component, such students may access the following pathways:

- Second Pathway: By meeting the designated cut score on a substitute competency test such as the PSAT, SAT, ACT, or ACCUPLACER or
- Third Pathway: By submitting, through the district, a student portfolio appeal to the New Jersey Department of Education.