

Assessment	Population	Time frame	Purpose
Partnership for Academic Readiness for College and Career (PARCC) ELA/Math <i>https://parcc.pearson.com/practice-tests/</i>	Grade 3-6	Spring (March/April) March 27th – May 19th Specific dates TBD	To determine skill acquisition of the NJ Common Core Curriculum Skills
NJ-Assessment of Skills and Knowledge-Science <i>(A hard copy practice booklet will be sent home)</i>	Grade 4	May 31 st	To determine acquisition of Science skills.
Dynamic Learning Maps® (DLM®)	Grades 3-6	Ongoing throughout the year	To determine acquisition of Reading/Writing, and Math skills.

Comment:

The alternate assessment project offers an innovative way for all students with significant cognitive disabilities to demonstrate their learning throughout the school year via the DLM Alternate Assessment System. Traditional multiple-choice testing does not always allow students with significant cognitive disabilities to fully demonstrate their knowledge. By integrating assessment with instruction during the year and providing a year-end assessment, the DLM system maps student learning aligned with college and career readiness standards in English language arts and mathematics.

The DLM system is accessible by students with significant cognitive disabilities, including those who also have hearing or visual disabilities, and/or neuromuscular, orthopedic, or other motor disabilities. Assessments produced by the DLM consortium are flexible. They allow for the use of common assistive technologies in addition to keyboard and mouse and touch-screen technology.