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**Greetings Roxbury Parents and Guardians:** 

Earlier this year, a letter was sent home providing information and a framework for how standardized testing contributes to decision-making in our school district. This letter can be found <a href="here">here</a>.

The information that was missing from that letter was the schedule for this year's standardized testing dates. The New Jersey Department of Education has shared that they still intend to administer standardized assessments this school year. While we all would agree that this year has presented incredibly challenging circumstances, and the prospect of standardized testing further complicates the schedule, it is still important for us to participate in standardized measures not simply out of compliance, but because they still provide the district with information to assist with decision-making and program evaluation.

The NJDOE announced on January 27, 2021, that they will provide the option to administer the NJSLA remotely. While additional details have not yet been shared about the remote administration, we anticipate implementing the following schedule this spring:

•	Grades K - 12	WIDA ACCESS 2.0 for ELLs	March 15 - April 10 (school specific)
•	Grades 3 - 6	Math and ELA	May 10 - May 12 (Make up May 13 - May 14)
•	Grades 7 - 9	Math and ELA	May 17 - May 19 (Make up May 20 - May 21)
•	Grades 5, 8, & 11	Science	May 24 - May 25 (Make up May 26 - May 27)

Thank you for your anticipated support as we approach the spring. Should these dates change, or any additional information be provided to the school district by the NJDOE, we will communicate it to our families as soon as possible, including any updated graduation requirements for students in the Class of 2023 and 2024, which we are still awaiting.

Should you have any questions regarding these assessments or your child's academic program, please feel free to contact your teacher, school principal, or me.

Sincerely,

Charles Seipp, Ed. D.

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