



LESTER C. NOECKER SCHOOL

ROSELAND SCHOOL DISTRICT

Dear 3rd - 6th Grade Families,

It is that time of year again where we begin preparing for the NJSLA (formerly known as PARCC) testing here at school. This letter is to provide important things to know for the upcoming NJSLA Infrastructure Trial which will take place on Wednesday, April 10th. Essentially, the Infrastructure Trial is a “dress rehearsal” for all those involved in the testing process (i.e. staff administering the test, and students taking the exam) and the technology students utilize.

The Infrastructure Trial is 60 minutes in duration. Students will be exposed to a testing simulation with the ability to work in the same testing environment that they will experience in late April and early May when actual NJSLA testing occurs. Please see the NJSLA Spring 2019 Testing Schedule on our website; it has also been shared in the Wednesday Notification.

Some helpful tips to ensure that your child has a successful Infrastructure Trial experience are very similar to those for any assessment and include:

- Get a good night’s sleep the evening before
- Eat breakfast
- For Grades 4-6, please make sure your child’s Chromebook is fully charged and with them at school the day of the Infrastructure Trial

With regard to cell phones and other technological devices (i.e. smart watches), the NJSLA testing protocol and the Student Handbook guidelines listed below will be strictly enforced.

- “All personal electronic equipment not related to testing” (i.e. cell phones, iPods, personal document scanners, eBooks, electronic pens, and smart watches) are **prohibited** in the testing environment.
- As per NJSLA, “If a student is found to have prohibited materials during live testing, the test may be invalidated.”

As a result of the aforementioned, we **strongly encourage** leaving these devices at home during testing days. However, please be aware that we will be collecting and securing any devices brought to school during testing days prior to the start of the exam; they will be returned after testing is completed. Please note that devices found in the testing environment will be confiscated as per our Student Handbook, the test will be invalidated, and the parent/guardian must come to school and pick up the device.

Thank you for your continued partnership. Please feel free to contact us if you have any additional questions or concerns.

Very truly yours,

  
Robert P. Greenwald, Principal - Deanne Somers, Superintendent - Lynn Cummings, Test Coordinator