



MONTGOMERY TOWNSHIP SCHOOLS

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Dear Parent/Guardian,

Last spring, your child participated in the New Jersey Student Learning Assessments (NJSLA) administration to measure their academic performance with grade level content as defined in the New Jersey Student Learning Standards (NJSLS). Evaluating the results from statewide testing can be a helpful tool in measuring your student's success in school, and it is just one of the many ways your student's teachers and administrators can determine whether he or she is on track for the next grade or ready for college and their career. New Jersey has had statewide tests for decades, and they have served as a small, but important part of assessing our students' annual progress.

Similar to last year you will find an Individual Student Report(s) for your child in **Genesis Parent Access**. To access your child's Individual Student Report(s) please adhere to the following steps:

- 1) Log in to Genesis Parent Access
- 2) Select the **Documents** tab
- 3) To view your child's 2019 NJSLA English Language Arts Individual Student Report and/or 2019 NJSLA Mathematics Individual Student Report select 2019, click on the PDF icon that corresponds to the Individual Student Report that you wish to view

The Individual Student Reports (ISRs) were developed based on feedback from parents and educators. The ISRs are in English Language Arts and Mathematics. A written explanation indicates where your child is doing well and where he or she may need additional help. There are also charts and graphics that show you how well your student is performing in relation to the [New Jersey Student Learning Standards](#), and how your student's performance compares to other students in his or her school, district and state.

Newly available this year is the **Digital Item Library**, which provides access to released items from the NJSLA ELA and mathematics assessments. Tools available in the library can help search for specific items, or sort items by Evidence Statements or standards. The items are displayed online and allow for users to view and interact with the items in the exact same manner as student test-takers. Additional released items will continue to be added as they become available.

Our mission, as a forward-thinking community, is to ensure that students grow into confident, compassionate, and successful learners in a global society by providing engaging and challenging educational experiences in a student-centered environment.

Another addition to score reporting for the 2019 ELA and Mathematics results is an online portal for parents/guardians. The online portal will include the student's scale score, quick access to resources that fit your student's needs, and a video score report. The portal will also allow for you to track your student's scores from year to year, beginning with Spring 2019. To access the online portal, you must create an account using the unique claim code that is located on your student's paper ISR.

The video score report that will be available through the online portal communicates information from the ISR through animations and a voiceover in New Jersey's top five languages: English, Spanish, Chinese, Portuguese, and Arabic. You will be able to access the New Jersey parent portal in early October 2019.

The Montgomery Township School District is committed to ensuring that all students acquire the necessary knowledge, skills, and dispositions to succeed as adults in a global society. In addition, we are constantly striving to balance the affective with the academic and are committed to creating a personalized environment that recognizes and responds to the uniqueness of each and every child. This commitment to the education of our students is seen in every classroom and household throughout the district and it is because of the combined efforts of Montgomery Township parents, teachers, case managers, guidance counselors, staff, administrators and perhaps most importantly our exceptional students that we exemplify a community of learners.

Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Damian C. Pappa".

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