



# Morris Hills Regional District

## State Testing Requirements for Graduation Classes of 2017, 2018, 2019, and 2020

All students are required to fulfill the state testing requirements for graduation in order to earn a high school diploma. Because the state test, PARCC, is new, the NJ Department of Education is offering several options for students to fulfill these requirements. Please note that the district is required to administer the PARCC to all students in grades 9-11, even if the state graduation requirement has been met through PARCC, an alternative assessment, or an IEP exemption. Students enrolled in AP Lang/AP Lit or IB English SL/HL *and who plan on taking the AP/IB Exam* are exempt from taking PARCC ELA 11 but must still fulfill the state requirement for graduation by submitting a qualifying score on an alternative assessment.

For students in the Classes of 2017, 2018, and 2019, one of the options below must be met in each category (English Language Arts and Mathematics) in order to earn a high school diploma. For the Class of **2020**, students must first *take every* PARCC assessment for which they are eligible and earn a valid score before they can substitute a score from a different assessment or the Portfolio Appeal to meet the graduation requirement.

English Language Arts (choose one)	Mathematics (choose one)
750 or higher on the ELA 9 or 10 PARCC	750 or higher on the Algebra I PARCC
725 or higher on the ELA 11 PARCC	725 or higher on the Geometry or Algebra II PARCC
400 or higher on SAT Critical Reading (January 2016 or earlier)	400 or higher on SAT Math* (January 2016 or earlier)
450 or higher on SAT EBWR Section or 22 or higher on SAT Reading (March 2016 or later)	440 or higher on SAT Math Section or 22 or higher on the SAT Math Test (March 2016 or later)
40 or higher on PSAT Critical Reading (2014 PSAT or earlier)	40 or higher on PSAT Math (2014 PSAT or earlier)
22 or higher on PSAT Reading (2015 PSAT or later, Grade 10 or 11 only)	22 or higher on PSAT Math (2015 PSAT or later, Grade 10 or 11 only)
16 or higher on ACT Reading or PLAN Reading	16 or higher on ACT Math or PLAN Math
6 or higher on Accuplacer WritePlacer 4 or higher on Accuplacer WritePlacer ESL	76 or higher on Accuplacer Elementary Algebra
Exempt from passing per IEP	Exempt from passing per IEP
31 or higher on ASVAB AFQT (counts for both LAL and Math)	
422 or higher on ACT Aspire (counts for both LAL and Math)	

Students who have not fulfilled any of the requirements in either Language Arts Literacy or Mathematics by the end of their junior year will be required to submit a portfolio of appeal to the NJ Department of Education in order to earn a high school diploma and may be placed in an additional class in order to develop the contents of the portfolio. If you have any questions about the state testing requirements for graduation, please contact your child's counselor.