



September 29, 2021

Dear WTPS Parent(s),

I hope this letter finds you well. In just a few weeks, we will be administering federally and state mandated *Start Strong Assessments* for English Language Arts (ELA) and Mathematics to students in grades 4-10 and Science in grades 6, 9, and 12. To assist us in providing an optimal testing environment for your child(ren), I kindly ask that you review this letter carefully for important information regarding these assessments.

Testing Dates	Grade Levels	Content Area
October 12	Grades 4 & 5	ELA & Math
October 13	Grades 6, 7, 8	ELA & Math
October 14	Grade 6	Science
	Grades 9 & 10	Math
October 15	Grades 9 & 10	ELA
	Grades 9 & 12	Science

We kindly ask for your assistance with the following:

- Please ensure that your child(ren) eats a healthy breakfast and gets a good night's sleep. If your child(ren) wears glasses, please make sure that he/she brings them to school.
- Please refrain from sending your child(ren) to school with any unnecessary electronic devices. Any unauthorized electronic device (including cell phones) must be powered off and stored during testing. Any person in possession of a cell phone or any other unauthorized electronic device in any testing room any time before, during, or after testing is in violation of State testing security procedures.
- **Laptops** – Please send your child(ren) to school with laptops (fully charged and powered off) and charger. If your child's charger is not working/lost, if your child's laptop is not fully functioning, or missing pieces (keyboard keys or screws), please contact our [Tech Support Center](#) at your earliest convenience so that these issues may be addressed prior to testing.

As always, we thank you for your continued help and support to assist us in providing the best possible learning environment for our children. For more information, please visit the NJDOE's [Start Strong Information for Parents](#), the [Start Strong Resources](#) webpage, or contact your child(ren)'s school.

Sincerely,

Joseph N. Bollendorf
Superintendent