

# New Jersey Department of Education



## Start Strong Fall 2022 Administration District Test and Technology Coordinator Training

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# Agenda



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# Overview of Start Strong



- **Start Strong Fall 2022 is intended to...**
  - Provide an early indication of the level of support students may need based upon the prior year's academic standards.
  - Be administered quickly and provide immediate results.
- **Start Strong Fall 2022 is not intended to...**
  - Replace any preferred assessment strategies being used locally.
  - Replace the **spring 2023 New Jersey Student Learning Assessments (NJSLA)** statewide summative assessments or be used to meet the State graduation assessment requirements.



# Differences Between Start Strong and NJSLA (1 of 2)



- Each content area has only one unit of testing. A student may take up to two content areas of Start Strong in a single day.
- All test items are machine-scorable (no open-ended questions), which allows for same-day score reporting.
- A single Test Administrator (TA) script is provided.
- The Start Strong Administration Policies, Computer-based Testing (CBT) User Guide, and Paper-based Testing (PBT) User Guide serve as abbreviated versions of the Test Coordinator Manual (TCM) and Test Administrator Manuals (TAMs).
- Districts may use the existing TCM as an additional resource regarding test administration policies and procedures.



## Differences Between Start Strong and NJSLA (2 of 2)



- No physical test materials are automatically shipped for Start Strong. Regular print test booklets are printed locally by the school district.
- District Test Coordinators (DTCs) may place orders in PearsonAccess<sup>next</sup> (PAN) for braille and large print test kits.
- Students testing on paper must be assigned an online test and placed in a test session with the form group set as Transcription English or Transcription Spanish. This must occur before test sessions are prepared and started.
- Paper test responses will be recorded in a test booklet and the TA will transcribe the responses into TestNav.



# Start Strong Key Dates



Activity	Date/Window
<b>Testing Window</b> – English Language Arts (ELA)/Mathematics/Science	August 31, 2022 through September 30, 2022
<b>Upload SR/PNP Files to PAN</b>	Starting on August 3, 2022
<b>Infrastructure Trial</b>	Starting on August 10, 2022
<b>Transcribe Paper Tests and Mark Tests Complete</b>	No later than September 30, 2022
<b>Data Clean-up</b> – Confirm responsible/accountable organizations, update not tested code/reason, and void tests	No later than October 5, 2022

Download the Start Strong Key Dates document at the [New Jersey Assessments Resource Center](#) site, under the heading **Start Strong**.



# Before Testing





# Testing Requirements (1 of 2)



All students enrolled in grades 4 through 8 and high school are expected to participate in Start Strong.

- This includes students with disabilities, who are not eligible for the Dynamic Learning Maps (DLM) assessments, English Language Learners (ELLs), students receiving homebound or bedside instruction, and those who attend non-testing out-of-district placements.
- Newly arrived ELLs (arriving **after** June 1 of the prior school year) may be exempt from taking the ELA portion of the Start Strong assessments.





# Testing Requirements (2 of 2)



- Students should be tested during the hours they normally receive their instruction.
- Students may be given up to 60 minutes to complete a test. The testing time is the same for all tests, in all content areas.
- Testing accommodations provided to eligible students should be aligned with those accommodations routinely used during classroom instruction and locally-administered assessments.



# Testing Environment



Prior to testing ensure that:

- Students will be well spaced with ample surface area.
- There will be good lighting and ventilation.
- A clock and chart should be available to display time remaining.
- Students are supervised at all times, including during restroom breaks.
- "Testing – Do Not Disturb" signs will be posted on testing room doors.



## Accessibility Features and Accommodations (1 of 3)



- The goal of administrative considerations, accessibility features, and testing accommodations is to remove barriers to accessing the assessments.
- Testing supports do not provide advantages to students, but instead enable students with specific needs to access the assessment to demonstrate proficiency.
- Educators are expected to use student data and plan meetings to ensure students receive the supports needed for testing.



# Accessibility Features and Accommodations (2 of 3)



- Some examples of testing supports include but are not limited to: small group testing, answer marking, braille, and large print.
- For resources available for students who are using the Speech-to-Text accommodation, please access:
  - [Web-Based Third-Party Assistive Technology for Speech-to-Text Form](#) which provides guidance about external web-based third-party assistive technology for students.
  - [Assistive Technology Guidelines](#) which provides guidance for schools to determine if certain assistive technology already in use by students with disabilities may be used for testing and how to test the functionality of it.
- For a detailed listing of testing supports provided for Start Strong, as well as guidance on how they are to be used, please download an electronic copy of the New Jersey Student Learning Assessments (NJSLA) and New Jersey Graduation Proficiency Assessment (NJGPA) Accessibility Features and Accommodations Manual – 10<sup>th</sup> Edition which is available on the [New Jersey Assessments Resource Center](#) under Start Strong.





## Reports > Operational Reports

- **SR/PNP Report – Accessibility Features and Accommodations for Student Tests**
  - This report provides a list of students and tests with identified accessibility features and accommodations.
  - Consider running this report prior to the start of testing to ensure the correct accessibility features and accommodations are assigned to students.



# Maintaining Test Integrity



- Students are expected to complete the test independently to ensure valid and reliable results.
- TAs must ensure students do not have access to unauthorized electronic devices.
- Districts are expected to provide turnkey training to all staff involved in testing.
- All staff involved in testing are expected to sign the Start Strong Administration Agreement form.
- Districts may create their own chain-of-custody forms to help organize and facilitate the distribution and return of Start Strong test materials.



# Start Strong Forms



- The following forms have been created for use on the Start Strong assessments:
  - Start Strong Administration Agreement Form
  - Start Strong Testing Irregularity Report Form
  - Start Strong Post-Test Certification Form
- The forms can be found on the [New Jersey Assessments Resource Center](#) under **Start Strong**.



# Start Strong Administration Agreement Form



- Upon completion of turnkey training, the following staff involved in state testing must sign the Start Strong Administration Agreement Form:
  - ✓ District and School Test Coordinators
  - ✓ District and School Technology Coordinators
  - ✓ Test Administrators
  - ✓ Proctors
- Download the Start Strong Administration Agreement Form available on the [New Jersey Assessments Resource Center](#) under **Start Strong**.







# Start Strong Testing Irregularity Report Form



- Testing irregularities that occur before, during, or after testing must be reported immediately according to the following procedure:
  - ✓ TA must report any incident to the STC immediately.
  - ✓ STC must report any incident to the DTC immediately.
  - ✓ DTC must email appropriate State Assessment Coordinator as soon as possible after being notified by the STC.
  - ✓ STC must complete the Start Strong Testing Irregularity Form documenting the incident and provide the completed form to the DTC.
  - ✓ DTC must upload the completed form to PAN and provide NJDOE with the support request confirmation number.
- As a reminder, student personally identifiable information must not be communicated to NJDOE via email.
- Download the Start Strong Testing Irregularity Form available on the [New Jersey Assessments Resource Center](#) under **Start Strong**.





# Start Strong Post-Test Certification Form



- Upon completion of Start Strong, the Principal and STC must complete and sign a Start Strong Post-Test Certification Form and deliver it to the DTC.
- The DTC must upload completed form to PAN.
- The form certifies that administration of the Start Strong assessments has been completed according to NJDOE policies.
- Download the Start Strong Post-Test Certification Form available on the [New Jersey Assessments Resource Center](#) under **Start Strong**.





# Technology Setup



- The following tasks must be performed prior to the start of testing to ensure a smooth assessment administration:
  - Update User Accounts.
  - Review Technology Requirements and perform an Infrastructure Trial.
  - Prepare Student Testing Devices.
  - Prepare Test Administrator Devices.
  - Register Students and Assign Tests.

# Technology and Systems



## PearsonAccess<sup>next</sup> (PAN)

A web-based technology platform used by test coordinators, test administrators, and technology coordinators for end-to-end administration of Start Strong.



## TestNav

A test delivery platform used by students that is secure, reliable, scalable, and supports media-rich and technology-enhanced items. TestNav App needs to be installed on testing devices.

# Technology Planning Tasks



Task	Resource
Identify student testing devices (TestNav), administrator devices (PearsonAccess <sup>next</sup> ), and review the System Requirements.	TestNav System Requirements: <a href="https://support.assessment.pearson.com/x/HwYcAQ">https://support.assessment.pearson.com/x/HwYcAQ</a>  PearsonAccess <sup>next</sup> System Requirements: <a href="https://support.assessment.pearson.com/x/NYDy">https://support.assessment.pearson.com/x/NYDy</a>
Review Technical Bullets for adding/dropping support.	Technical Bulletins: <a href="https://support.assessment.pearson.com/x/IwACAQ">https://support.assessment.pearson.com/x/IwACAQ</a>
Review Firewall/Proxy Servers/Content Filtering Requirements.	Network Requirements and Guidelines: <a href="https://support.assessment.pearson.com/x/AxZgAQ">https://support.assessment.pearson.com/x/AxZgAQ</a>





# Technology – Prepare for 2022-2023 School Year



The [TestNav - Review and Prepare for 2022-23 School Year](#) communication was developed to help Technology Coordinators prepare for and administer the 2022-2023 Start Strong, NJSLA, and NJGPA assessments.

- **Reminder for Chromebook Setup:**

- Ensure your testing devices' operating systems (OS) are using Stable or Long-term support (LTS) channels through the duration of the test administration window (infrastructure trial through end-of-testing).
- **Do not use Beta or Dev channels.** Leaving testing devices on a Beta or Dev Channel could lead to unexpected or disruptive system behavior during testing.
- Visit [Managing Chrome OS Updates](#) article for more information about how to switch between Stable, LTS, Beta and Dev software channels.





PearsonAccess<sup>next</sup> (PAN) is:

- An online portal used for the registration, setup, preparation, and management of the administration.
- A secure site that requires a username and password.

PearsonAccess<sup>next</sup> (PAN) consists of:

- PearsonAccess<sup>next</sup> Live Site which is a site for statewide testing available at <https://nj.pearsonaccessnext.com/>.
- PearsonAccess<sup>next</sup> Training Site which is a site for infrastructure trial and practice testing available at <https://trng-nj.pearsonaccessnext.com/>.



# Proctor Cache and Secondary Save Locations



- Proctor caching is no longer required due to enhancements in how the test content is delivered to student testing devices. This update will be seamless for students, and their testing experiences will remain the same as in past assessment administrations.
- Start Strong tests are published in a way where content is automatically downloaded and secondary save locations are ignored. Configurations used in previous testing administrations will not impact the ability to administer Start Strong.





# User Management



PAN user accounts need to be provided for staff who will administer the test, review student results, and/or who need to make updates in PAN. Resources to help with this process are available in the following locations:

- [PAN](#), located under **Support > Documentation** section:
  - User File Field Definitions – gives details about the user account data fields.
  - User Role Matrix – gives information about user roles.
- [PAN Online Support](#)
  - Provides step-by-step instructions for creating and managing user accounts.





# Infrastructure Trial (1 of 2)



Infrastructure trial may begin on August 10, 2022 through the [PearsonAccess<sup>next</sup> Training Site](#).

When planning for and administering the infrastructure trial, keep the following in mind:

- It takes approximately 60 minutes to administer after setup.
- Ensure student devices meet the system requirements for TestNav.
- Ensure students are able to access and log into TestNav.
- Ensure test administrators are able to:
  - ✓ Login to PAN.
  - ✓ Track progress of tests.
  - ✓ Lock and unlock test units.



# Infrastructure Trial (2 of 2)



Occasionally technology concerns that stemmed from locally controlled configurations have been reported during past administrations. These concerns may have been identified and resolved prior to the start of testing had an infrastructure trial had been performed.

Technology Coordinators may schedule time with the Field Services Engineering support specialists before testing for questions on technology setup, TestNav, proctor caching, configurations, and infrastructure trials. To schedule office hours, log into PAN and select the “Schedule Technical Assistance” option on the PAN home screen.

**Note:** The “Schedule Technical Assistance” option is for technical troubleshooting and questions regarding technology setup and support. This should not be used for support of data files or other platform questions.



# Practice Tests and Tutorials



Practice Tests (TestNav Login Required)	Standalone Practice Tests (No Login Required)	Tutorials
<p><b>Students will be able to:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Use the TestNav App to login with Student Testing Tickets printed from the <a href="#">PearsonAccess<sup>next</sup> Training Site</a>.</li><li>• Experience a simulation of live testing with test administrators.</li><li>• Practice with test content based on prior-year standards in a standard (non-unit) test that matches structure of Live Start Strong Tests.</li></ul>	<p><b>Students will be able to:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Access the practice tests through the TestNav App or online at the <a href="#">Practice Tests</a> webpage. Practice with multiple test units</li><li>• Familiarize themselves with the kinds of items and format used for the tests.</li></ul> <p><b>Note:</b> The test for the previous grade level (or logical HS course) must be used.</p>	<p><b>Students will be able to:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Access tutorials through the TestNav App or online at <a href="#">Tutorials</a> webpage. Learn about and interact with the online platform and tools available for Computer-Based Assessments.</li></ul>

**Note:** Paper practice tests are available to print locally from the [Practice Tests](#) webpage. Make sure to use the previous grade level(s) (or logical HS course). Do not attempt to transcribe responses from paper practice tests into online practice tests.



# Student Data Management



Test content is aligned to the previous year's academic standards to help educators understand the level of support students require for current grade-level or course instruction. This chart is intended to help districts assign the correct test to students based on grade level or course. (See SR/PNP Field Definitions)

Student's Grade for the 2022-2023 Academic Year	ELA	Math	Science
Grade 4	ELA04 (Grade 3 Content)	MAT04 (Grade 3 Content)	N/A
Grade 5	ELA05 (Grade 4 Content)	MAT05 (Grade 4 Content)	N/A
Grade 6	ELA06 (Grade 5 Content)	*MAT06 (Grade 5 Content)	SC06 (Grades 3-5 Content)
Grade 7	ELA07 (Grade 6 Content)	*MAT07 (Grade 6 Content)	N/A
Grade 8	ELA08 (Grade 7 Content)	*MAT08 (Grade 7 Content)	N/A
Grade 9	ELA09 (Grade 8 Content)	ALG01 (Grade 8 Content for Algebra I) ALG02 (Algebra I Content) GEO01 (Grade 8 Content for Geometry)	SC09 (Middle School Content)
Grade 10	ELA10 (Grade 9 Content)	ALG01 (Grade 8 Content for Algebra I) ALG02 (Algebra I Content) GEO01 (Grade 8 Content for Geometry)	N/A
Grade 11	N/A	ALG01 (Grade 8 Content for Algebra I) ALG02 (Algebra I Content) GEO01 (Grade 8 Content for Geometry)	N/A
Grade 12	N/A	ALG01 (Grade 8 Content for Algebra I) ALG02 (Algebra I Content) GEO01 (Grade 8 Content for Geometry)	SC12 (High School Content)

**Note:** Middle school students taking high school mathematics courses (Algebra I, Geometry, or Algebra II) are to be administered the Start Strong assessment for that course.





# Student Data Management: SR/PNP



- It is the responsibility of all testing organizations, including Approved Private Schools for Students with Disabilities (APSSD), to load student registration and personal needs profile data into PAN. The Student Registration/Personal Needs Profile (SR/PNP) is:
  - Used to create or update student records including core student data, enrollment, registration data, and test data.
  - Used to make updates to data before and during testing.
  - One file containing ELA, Math, and Science registrations.
  - Available as a template on the Secure Support Page of PearsonAccess<sup>next</sup> or can be created from an SR/PNP file exported from your student information system.

**Note:** The SR/PNP Field Definitions document is located on the Secure Support Page of PAN.

# Student Data Management: SR/PNP Import



- A. Use **Don't auto-create Test Sessions for online testing** option to not auto-create test sessions when importing an SR/PNP.
  - A. Leaving option blank – Test Sessions are auto-created/tests auto-added to sessions if Session Name field is populated and tests aren't currently assigned to a session.
  - B. Check option – Test sessions are **not** auto-created and tests are **not** auto-added to sessions.
  
- B. Do **not** select **Don't modify student tests**. This option should only be selected when updating existing student demographic data without updating test registration data.
  - A. Leaving option blank – PAN reads/updates Core-, Administration-, and Test-level data.
  - B. Check option – PAN reads/updates only Core-, and Administration-level data. Test-level data is ignored. Will result with students being enrolled and registered to an administration, but no tests being assigned (or updated).

Tasks for Importing and Exporting + Add Task

Import / Export Data

Type\*  
Student Registration Import

File Layout Type  
CSV

Don't auto-create Test Sessions for online testing **A**

Note: If this test administration is set to auto-create test sessions but you do not want test sessions above.

Don't modify student tests **B**

Note: This import modifies students, student registrations and student tests. If you don't want student tests above.

Source File Additional e-mails

Choose File No file chosen Enter a valid e-mail address

Process Reset





# Reporting Groups



It is important that reporting groups are created in PearsonAccess<sup>next</sup> specifically for teachers (i.e., users assigned the Test Administrator role) to access their students' results soon after students have completed their tests.

- Users assigned the DTC or Report Access roles have access to view Start Strong OnDemand Reports for all students that are testing under their organization scope assignment/selection.
- The Test Administrator role is restrictive in which users assigned this role will not be able to view results unless their user ID is assigned to a reporting group. The combination of both a user account and students being assigned to the reporting group allows the user to view test results for those students.
- Student records are assigned to a reporting group at the administration scope-level.
- Assigning students to a reporting group can be done before testing begins but after students are registered and assigned tests. If this is done ahead of time, teachers can view results soon after students' tests are completed.





# Reporting Groups Considerations



Reporting groups are important as they provide teachers with access to only their assigned students' results.

Students can be added to more than one reporting group. This enables middle and high school students to be added to course specific reporting groups for teachers. It also enables creating reporting groups for specific populations of students such as EL or Special Education.

It is up to each district and school to determine what is the best grouping of reporting groups. The result should be that teachers have access to test results for students they instruct.



# Manually Creating Reporting Groups



Through the PAN User Interface (UI):

1. Go to **Reports > Reporting Groups**.
2. Select **Manage Reporting Groups** under the **Tasks** drop down and click **Start**:
  1. Populate organization and Name fields.
  2. Add user account(s).
  3. Add student records.

The screenshot shows the 'Reporting Groups' interface. At the top, there are two tabs: 'Tasks 1 Selected' and 'Reporting Groups 0 Selected Clear'. Under 'Tasks', a dropdown menu is open, showing options: 'Create / Edit Reporting Groups', 'Manage Reporting Groups' (which is selected), and 'Delete Reporting Groups'. A 'Start' button is visible next to the dropdown. Below this, there is a 'Manage' dropdown menu. The main content area is titled 'Tasks for Reporting Groups' and includes buttons for 'Add Task', 'Previous Task', 'Next Task', and 'Exit Tasks'. The 'Manage Reporting Groups' task is selected. On the left, there is a 'REPORTING GROUPS (0)' section with a 'New Reporting Group' button. The 'DETAILS' section is titled 'Manage Reporting Groups By Registration' and includes 'Create' and 'Reset' buttons. The form fields are: 'Organization\*' (with a dropdown menu showing 'SAMPLE SCHOOL (999999-624)' and a red callout '1'), 'Name\*' (text input), 'Description' (text input), 'Authorized Users' (text input with a red callout '2'), 'Create Groups from' (dropdown menu showing 'Sessions'), 'within' (dropdown menu showing 'SAMPLE SCHOOL'), 'Find by name or ID within' (dropdown menu showing 'SAMPLE SCHOOL'), and 'Assigned Students' (text input with a red callout '3').





## Creating Reporting Groups through a File Import (1 of 2)



A new file import was created that allows users to create reporting groups and add students and users to those reporting groups. This file can also be used to update and delete reporting groups.

The Reporting Groups Guidance For PearsonAccess<sup>next</sup> is located on the [New Jersey Assessments Resource Center](#) under **Start Strong**. This document includes the NJ Reporting Groups file field definitions.





## Creating Reporting Groups through a File Import (2 of 2)



There are a variety of ways to gather the necessary data needed to create your file. Some options to consider for creating a file are:

- Export a NJ Reporting Groups Export file. The file will contain all student records that are testing under that organization and administration scope. This file can then be manually updated.
- Use the file layout template to pull data out of your student data repository to create a file to import.
- Export a SR/PNP file and copy/delete columns of data to match the template for the NJ Reporting Groups file template. This may be a good option if you populated the class field during registration. You can also use the Staff Member Identifier field to map to teacher user accounts.

# SR/PNP: In-District Placement



An in-district placement is established when, due to program services offered (English language learner or special education program, etc.), a student attends a school other than one they would have normally attended in their district.

The table below provides guidance to assist schools in accurately recording data for students attending an in-district placement.

Data Field in SR/PNP	Appropriate Code to Use
State Assessment Testing Site District Code and State Assessment Accountable District Code	Same six-digit code (County and District)
State Assessment Testing Site School Code	Three-digit code of the school that is testing the student
State Assessment Accountable School code	Three-digit code of the school the student would normally attend if the school could provide their educational services/programs



# SR/PNP: Out-of-District Placement



An out-of-district placement is established when a student attends a facility for programs/services not offered in their district (i.e., approved private, public receiving, or special services commission). APSSDs cannot be accountable districts or schools.

The table below provides guidance to assist schools in accurately recording data for students attending an out-of-district placement.

Data Field in SR/PNP	Appropriate Code to Use
State Assessment Testing Site District Code	Six-digit code of the county and district that is testing the student
State Assessment Testing Site School Code	Three-digit code of the school that is testing the student
State Assessment Accountable District Code	Six-digit county and district code of the student's accountable county and district
State Assessment Accountable School Code	Three-digit code of the school the student would normally attend if the school could provide their educational services/programs





# SR/PNP: “School Choice”



- School Choice is not an out-of-district placement.
- NJDOE’s Inter-District Public School Choice Program allows approved choice districts to enroll students who do not reside within their districts without cost to their parents.
- Districts that accept students under “School Choice” must identify themselves as the accountable district and school.



# SR/PNP: Charter and Vocational-Technical Schools



- Students attending a charter school of full-time vocational technical school, regardless of the school's location, are not considered out-of-district or in-district placements.
- Charter schools and full-time vocational technical schools are the accountable district and school.
- The resident school district is the accountable district for shared-time vocational technical students.





# Mathematics Reference Sheets and Periodic Tables for Online Testing



- Start Strong mathematics reference sheets and periodic tables:
  - Are provided for students within the TestNav platform.
  - Can be accessed for local printing by visiting the [New Jersey Assessments Resource Center](#) under Start Strong.
- All test materials, including any printed mathematics reference sheets or periodic tables used by the students during the administration of Start Strong, must be properly discarded upon the completion of testing.
  - Districts are **strongly** encouraged to utilize the online reference sheets and periodic tables, accessible through “Exhibits,” to eliminate the possibility of students receiving incorrect materials.
  - The Start Strong mathematics reference sheets must not be used during classroom instruction as a resource.



# Start Strong Paper Tests (1 of 3)



Paper test materials are available for students with accommodations. Student responses for paper tests must be transcribed into online.

- **There is no initial delivery of test materials.**
  - Regular print materials must be printed locally.
  - Braille and large print materials must be ordered from PAN.
- **Regular print test booklets and mathematics human reader scripts:**
  - Are located in PAN under **Support > Documentation** beginning on August 23, 2022.
  - Must be printed locally.
- **Hard copies of the Start Strong periodic tables (for grades 9 and 12 only) and mathematics reference sheets (for grades 6–8 and high school courses):**
  - Are available for download by visiting the [New Jersey Assessments Resource Center](#) under Start Strong.
  - Must be printed locally.
  - Must **not** be used for classroom instruction.





# Start Strong Paper Tests (2 of 3)



- **Large print test kits**

- DTCs must place an additional order under **Setup > Orders & Shipment Tracking**.
- Each kit includes a large print test booklet and a large print mathematics reference sheet, and/or periodic table, if applicable.

- **Braille test kits**

- DTCs must place an additional order under **Setup > Orders & Shipment Tracking**.
- Each kit includes a set of braille test booklets with embedded tactile graphics, and a braille mathematics reference sheet or periodic table, if applicable.
- Test kits may be ordered for mathematics and science computer-based testing (CBT) for students with a screen reader accommodation, so these students can have access to the tactile graphics.



# Start Strong Paper Tests (3 of 3)



Students who have accommodations to test on paper must be registered for online tests. These students must be placed into separate test sessions from students testing online because the format of the test items may be slightly different.

- The School Test Coordinator (STC) must assign these students to transcription test sessions in PAN so that the responses can be transcribed into TestNav.
- "Transcription English" or "Transcription Spanish" (Math and Science only) must be selected for the Form Group Type of the test sessions.
- When the sessions are prepared, a Transcription Form will automatically be assigned to these tests.
- Students who have accommodations to test on paper should indicate their responses in the hard-copy test booklet, to a scribe, or in an electronic device according to their IEP or 504 plan.

# Paper Test Accommodations



Paper Test Accommodations	Where to Obtain Materials	PearsonAccess <sup>next</sup> Session Form Group Selection
Regular Paper (ELA, Math & Science)	Print a regular print test booklet from PAN.	Transcription English
Regular Human Reader or Human Signer Paper (ELA, Math & Science)	Print 2 regular print test booklets from PAN, one for the student and one for the test administrator. (For mathematics, also print mathematics human reader scripts.)	Transcription English
Regular Large Print (ELA, Math & Science)	Place an Additional Order for a Large Print Test Book.	Transcription English
Braille with Tactile Graphics (ELA, Math & Science)	Place an Additional Order for a Braille Test Book.	Transcription English
Spanish Regular Paper (Math & Science)	Print a Spanish regular print test booklet from PAN.	Transcription Spanish
Spanish Human Reader or Human Signer Paper (Math & Science)	Print 2 Spanish regular print test booklets from PAN, one for the student and one for the test administrator. (For mathematics, also print mathematics Spanish human reader scripts)	Transcription Spanish
Spanish Large Print (Math & Science)	Place an Additional Order for a Spanish Large Print Test Book.	Transcription Spanish



# During Testing





# Print Test Tickets



Printing test tickets for multiple sessions at a time may be done by following these steps:

1. Within PAN, navigate to Testing > Sessions. Select the session records.
2. Under Tasks, select Generate Test Tickets and select Start.
3. On the Generate Test Tickets task screen, select Generate Test Tickets icon.
4. Then, select the desired format (1 Per Page, Grid, or List).

The following tips may be helpful when printing test tickets for multiple sessions at a time:

- A banner page separates tickets between sessions.
- For performance reasons, this feature is limited to a maximum of 4,000 across the selected sessions.
- Step-by-step instructions for generating test tickets are available at [PAN Online Support](#) under Testing > Generate Test Tickets for Sessions.



# Student Test Status in PAN



- Student testing progress can be monitored on the Students in Session screen.
- A student's test status in PAN will automatically change to "Resume" if the student exits the test prematurely. This allows the student to log in again without intervention from the Test Administrator.
- The Student Test Status Dashboard provides single session information, including Student Name, Test Status, Test Duration, Test Source, Battery, and Test Progress. More information about this feature can be found in the CBT User Guide.





# Operational Reports in PAN: Online Testing



## Reports > Operational Reports

- **Student Tests that are Ready and Unlocked**
  - This report provides a list of all student tests that are in “Ready” status and unlocked.
  - Consider running this report just before testing begins to confirm all student tests are ready and unlocked.



## Reports > Operational Reports

- **Students with Test Assignments that have been Assigned but have not yet Completed**

- This report lists students who have a test assigned to them, but the test has not yet been completed.
- Consider running this report at the end of scheduled testing dates, but before the end of the testing window, to identify students who may need to be scheduled for make-up testing and/or confirm that all students with test assignments have completed testing.

- **Student Registration Summary**

- This report provides the number of students assigned to a test and the number of completed tests.
- Consider running this report at the end of your scheduled testing dates, but before the end of the testing window, to identify students who may need to be scheduled for make-up testing and/or confirm that all students with testing assignments have completed testing.

# After Testing





# Mark Tests Complete



- To identify tests that should be marked complete, view the **Students Tests that have been Assigned but have not yet Completed** operational report.
- Only STCs and DTCs are able to mark tests complete.
- Test units must be marked complete for students who:
  - Exited the test and did not resume testing.
  - Exited a test instead of clicking **Submit**.
- A reason that the test is being **Marked Complete** must be entered in PAN.
- Student tests in transfer sessions will need to be moved to a started session in order to mark them complete. Transfer sessions cannot be prepared or started.



# Stop Sessions



- Test sessions cannot be stopped until all student tests are in **Completed** or **Marked Complete** status.
- Start Strong assessments in **Ready** status are not to be marked complete under any circumstances.
- Students whose tests are in a **Ready** status must be moved to an unprepared test session and have the appropriate Not Tested Code applied.
- Complete this as soon as your district's testing window has closed.
- Once you have completed testing, the DTC must **complete** the **Post-Test Certification Form** for each school in the district and **upload** them to PAN.



# Not Tested and Void Codes



**Not Tested Codes** are to be used when a student has never logged into TestNav. A validation rule will require users to remove the Not Tested code should the student need to test. The Not Tested Reasons are:

- 01 - Absent
- 02 - Medical emergency
- 03 - Other (refusal)

**Void Test Score Codes** are to be used when a student has logged into TestNav but did not complete testing. A validation rule will require users to void a test before a second test can be assigned for the same grade/subject. The Void Test Score Reasons are:

- 01 - Student Cheating
- 02 - Security Breach
- 03 - Other (refusal, wrong form, off-grade level, off-course, accommodation/ accessibility feature provided or not provided in error)





# Paper Test Transcription



All paper tests must be transcribed in TestNav **no later than September 30, 2022**. Districts are strongly encouraged to complete paper testing **prior to September 30** to ensure there is enough time to complete transcription.

- At least two people must be present during transcription.
- It is highly recommended that one of the two people be a DTC or STC.
- Additional guidelines and directions on how to transcribe a test can be found in the PBT User Guide, located on the [New Jersey Assessments Resource Center](#) under Start Strong.





# Test Materials



Test materials for Start Strong are **destroyed locally** and **not returned to test vendors**.

Materials that **must be securely destroyed** include the following:

- Student testing tickets.
- Student rosters and any other reports or documents that contain personally identifiable student information.
- Scratch paper written on by students.
- Start Strong Mathematics reference sheets and science periodic tables written on by students.
- Regular print test booklets that are locally printed from PAN.
- Vendor-supplied braille and large-print materials.
- All accommodated responses captured on paper or an electronic device after they have been transcribed into TestNav.



# Training Confirmation



The NJDOE expects District Test and Technology Coordinators to familiarize themselves with the responsibilities associated with their roles, including training Test Administrators on the proper administration of the Start Strong assessments and ensuring the appropriate technology requirements are in place. District Test and Technology Coordinators must complete a survey to indicate completion of this self-training presentation.

Please scan the QR code or click on the link to complete the survey:

<https://forms.office.com/r/P2Ygy2HtL2>.



# Thank You!



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