

# Peter Woodbury School

March 12, 2021

Dear PWS Parents/Guardians,

Each year, New Hampshire public and charter schools are required by state law (RSA 193-C) and federal accountability laws (Every Student Succeeds Act) to assess students using a standardized assessment. The U.S. Department of Education is requiring states to administer the state summative assessments this year. **At PWS, these assessments will occur for 4th grade between April 12th and May 17th. For 3rd graders the dates will be May 10th through May 24th. Classroom teachers will share their class' individual schedules as we get closer to the date. Our Remote students will be invited into the school to participate as well. Mrs. Clark and Mrs. Boisvert will share their schedules as well as mitigation information with their families.**

Schools are working hard to coordinate the administration of the statewide assessments to ensure students have access to the assessments in a safe environment. The assessments must be taken in person. If a parent/guardian is not comfortable with having their child take the assessment in person, they can choose to exempt their child from participation. For more information, please refer to [THIS LETTER](#).

Statewide assessments are an important part of a student's core educational program. They provide:

- An evaluation of student mastery of content and skills in various academic areas
- Serve as one tool for measuring the degree to which students are on track to graduate high school and be college- and career-ready
- Help inform future instruction in the classroom

## Results

Student results for the NH SAS are generally available immediately upon the student completing the test. The school will send a student's Individual Score Report (ISR) home before the end of the school year. If you prefer to see the results once your child has completed the NH SAS, please contact your child's teacher.

**Lexile reading** and **Quantile mathematics scores** will be available on the (ISR). You can visit this [resource](#) to find more information on how to use these measures to understand a student's reading and math level.

## Practice Tests

Parents may access training tests for the NH SAS by going to the NHSAS assessment portal at:

<https://nh.portal.airast.org/training-tests.stml>.

SAT also offers a range of practice opportunities on their website, students that practice in the portal are eligible for scholarships <https://collegereadiness.collegeboard.org/sat/practice>

## Average Testing Times

Grades 3-8	NH SAS
English Language Arts/Reading	2 hours, 15 minutes
English Language Arts/Writing	2 hours
Mathematics	2 hours, 15 minutes

If you have any questions related to this assessment administration, please feel free to contact me. Thank you for supporting your student and encouraging him/her to do his/her best during this assessment administration.

Sincerely,

*Cheryl Daley*

Principal