



## Graduation Pathways - Class of 2020

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Dear High Point Community,

For more than 40 years, New Jersey has required high school students to demonstrate proficiency in English/Language Arts and Mathematics in order to receive a high school diploma. In recent years, students have met this requirement through the annual state assessment (PARCC, NJSLA, DLM), through alternate assessments (SAT, PSAT, ACT, ASVAB, etc.) or through a portfolio appeals process.

In May of 2020, the New Jersey Department of Education cancelled the administration of the 2020 NJSLA, and waived the requirement that students in the Class of 2020 demonstrate proficiency through an assessment.

Prior to this announcement in May, 2020, most High Point students in the Class of 2020 had met these assessment requirements. As required by the New Jersey Department of Education, here is a summary of the pathways by which High Point's 2020 graduates met this requirement:

Class of 2020 Graduation Pathway	PATHWAY: All Students (199)
NJSLA (Math & English)	41% (82)
Substitute Competency Test* (Math & English)	17% (33)
Portfolio Appeals Process (Math & English)	0% (0)
MIX of NJSLA & Substitute Competency Test	20% (40)
MIX of NJSLA & Waiver - NJ Executive Order #117	8% (16)
Alternate Assessment as per IEP	1% (2)
Assessment Requirements Waived: NJ Executive Order # 117	13% (26)
12th Grade Students Denied Graduation Due to Assessments	0% (0)
*SAT, PSAT, ASVAB, ACT	

Please feel free to contact me with any questions related to this matter.

Sincerely,

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### NJDOE Announcement Regarding 2019-20 Statewide Assessments:

<https://www.nj.gov/education/broadcasts/2020/mar/24/New%20Jersey%20Cancels%20Statewide%20Student%20Assessments.pdf>

### NJDOE Announcement Portfolio Appeals Process Waived for 2019-20:

<https://www.nj.gov/education/covid19/boardops/assessmentportfolio.shtm>

