

# Egg Harbor Township Fernwood Avenue Middle School

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Dear Parents and Guardians,

Fernwood Avenue Middle School will be administering the state mandated Start Strong assessment beginning on Wednesday, September 21, 2022. The Start Strong assessment is a computer-based assessment (45-60 minutes each unit) that measures student academic performance level of prior grade year standards in ELA and Mathematics. Students in Grades 6-8 will be assessed in one unit of ELA and one unit of Math. 6th Grade students will also be assessed in one unit of Science. The Start Strong assessment will provide quick feedback to teachers, identify student areas of academic strength, and pinpoint areas where additional support may be needed.

We strongly encourage all of our students to attend school during this testing time. Also, students are required to have their Chromebooks with them on testing days. They should be fully charged the night before. Please refer to the following test dates for Fernwood Avenue Middle School:

**All Grades ELA & Mathematics - September 21, 2022 (Abbreviated day for students with dismissal at 12:45 pm)**

**6th Grade Science - September 22, 2022**

Please feel free to contact your child's school counselor or visit <https://nj.mypearsonsupport.com/ForParent/> if you have any questions pertaining to the Start Strong assessment.

Sincerely,



Kevin J. Fricke

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