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MEMORANDUM

TO: Superintendents, Charter School Directors

FROM: Hanna Skandera *HS*

RE: **PARCC Assessment Time**

The PARCC Consortium has released assessment information for the 2015 PARCC administration. Districts can access this information at: <http://parconline.org/update-session-times>.

Please note three important items:

1. In planning your schedules, please remember to include the science SBA for grades 4, 7, and 11. Times in the link above only include PARCC (reading, writing, and math).
2. In the link, you will find two times for each grade: the unit time and the estimated time. The unit testing time is the maximum amount of time that students have to complete the exam¹. The estimated testing time reflects the actual amount of time it took for 75% of students to complete the exam during the 2014 field tests.
3. When planning schedules, please use the unit time plus 30 minutes. The additional 30 minutes allows for administrative procedures such as passing out scratch paper and other materials, reading the scripts, logging into computers and collecting materials.

For any PARCC-related questions, please contact Joslyn Overby at joslyn.overby@state.nm.us.

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¹ Students with disabilities who have Individualized Education Plans (IEPs) or 504 Plans may have extended time beyond the unit testing time.