

## 2017-2018 School Year

### ***State and Local Assessments:***

<b>Assessment</b>	<b>Area of Evaluation</b>	<b>Grade Level</b>	<b>Student Demographic</b>
Dynamic Indicators of Early Basic Literacy (DIBELS)	Academic (Reading)	K-4	All
Developmental Reading Assessment (DRA)	Academic (Reading)	K-4	All
STAR Reading Assessment	Academic (Reading)	3-4	All
Classroom Diagnostic Tools (CDT)	Academic	5-8	All
PSSA Math	Academic (Math)	3,4,5,6,7,8	All
PSSA English Language Arts	Academic (ELA)	3,4,5,6,7,8	All
PSSA Science	Academic (Science)	4,8	All
Keystone Biology	Academic (Science)	9	All
Keystone Literature	Academic (ELA)	10	All
Keystone Algebra	Academic (Math)	8,9, or 10	All
PASA	Academic	3,4,5,6,7,8, and 11	Select Special Education

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### **State Academic Standards:**

The Northern Cambria School District aligns its curriculum with the Pennsylvania State Core Standards.

### **Curriculum:**

The Northern Cambria Elementary School utilizes the following curricula in its School Wide Program:

English/Language Arts

- The Houghton Mifflin - *Journeys 2014*

Math

- The McGraw Hill - *Everyday Math 4*

Science

- The **FOSS** (Full Option Science System) Program

Social Studies

- McMillan/McGraw Hill - *Our Communities*

Health

- Harcourt-Brace - *Your Health*

### **How to Monitor Your Child's Progress:**

- **Communicate frequently with the teachers to check on your child's progress on important standards.**
  - Northern Cambria offers Parent/Teacher Conferences twice a year.
  - A request from a parent for a conference at any time will be honored with 24 hour notice.
- **Examine results on graded assignments, quizzes, and tests.**
  - Questions about graded work can be addressed by email or phone call at any time.
- **Gauge how efficiently your child completes assignments.**
  - Monitoring homework is one way to see if you child can complete tasks
- **Speak openly with your child regarding his understanding of skills and concepts.**
  - Helping with homework is one way to see if you child grasps new concepts
- **Celebrate success when he catches on to a skill or concept quickly.**
  - Praise creates a positive atmosphere.
- **Don't back away from challenging content.**
  - Family learning events are offered at NCSD