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Dear Parents/Guardians,

This spring, our students in grades 3-8 will again participate in the administration of English Language Arts and Mathematics assessments aligned with the New York State Next Generation Learning Standards.

In lieu of the traditional paper and pencil exam, our students will be using their Chromebooks to take these annual assessments aligned with the new standards. The schedule for the computer based assessment allows for flexibility. We will use the schedule below.

April 11, 2024	All grades	ELA Session 1
April 12, 2024	All grades	ELA Session 2
May 7, 2024	All grades	Math Session 1
May 8, 2024	All grades	Math Session 2
May 13, 2024	5th grade only	Entire test

As you may have read in this [letter](#), sent last week from the Office of Curriculum and Instruction, we are actively working to increase the number of students who sit for these assessments. [This infographic](#) provides a summary of the reasoning behind our push for participation. We encourage our students to work hard all year and this is a chance for them to “show what they know”.

We are also employing a Take The Test (TTT) campaign in our school where if we reach certain targets in participation all students will receive a reward. If a grade level reaches 75% participation, the entire grade will be acknowledged and receive an extra recess period. If the whole school reaches our goal of 95% participation, we will have a special celebration. It is our stance that it is time to TTT and we hope that you can support us in this endeavor.

Should you have any questions about the upcoming assessments, please contact us 631 801 3085.

Sincerely,

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