

Dear Parents and Guardians,

As part of continued COVID-19 recovery efforts, the Maryland State Department of Education is conducting an early fall student assessment as one of several strategies to identify how students are performing academically. The results will help educators better understand student needs, so that we can address disrupted education and accelerate learning opportunities for all students.

Each Early Fall assessment is a shorter version of the traditional English Language Arts, Mathematics, and MISA assessments. These assessments will measure how well students performed in content presented during the last school year (2020-2021). Students will take the assessment for the grade or course in which they were enrolled last Spring when the assessment was postponed due to the COVID-19 pandemic. For example: a current 4th grader will take the 3rd grade English Language Arts/ Literacy (ELA/L) or Mathematics test.

Our testing window begins September 20th and ends October 15th. During this window your student will participate in both ELA and Math testing, using a computer device to access the test.

All 4th and 5th grade in-person students are scheduled to participate in testing on September 28, 29 and October 4, 2021.

It is extremely important that your child is in school every day and on time when their grade or class is scheduled to test.

WE NEED YOUR HELP.. PLEASE...MAKE SURE...

1. Your child arrives at school on time.
2. Your child brings his/her charged device. .
3. Your child eats a substantial breakfast in the morning that will give him/her the necessary energy and alertness for participation in the testing.
4. Your child gets a good night's sleep the night before each testing day.
5. Your child is in school every testing day. Children absent on a testing day will participate in make-up testing.
6. Please encourage your child to do his/her best!

Thank you for your help. We know our students will do their best! Should you have any questions, please call the school.

Sincerely,
Nema Manuel
Principal