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Dear Parents,

As educators, we are always excited to serve you and your child in the education process. Once students have established their routines and become accustomed to school, we will assess students' learning through NWEA MAP. We will begin with Fall MAP Spanish Reading Dual Language students with elementary students testing from August 30 to September 17 and middle school students testing from August 23 to September 10, 2021. MAP English Reading and Mathematics will be for select students this fall.

All students will test during the winter testing window, which is from November 22 to December 16, 2021. These windows are districtwide for students in grades 2-8. This year our assessment schedule has returned to how it was in 2019 and before.

MAP is a test that adapts to your child's ability level. As students respond correctly, the questions become more difficult, and students will receive easier questions when answers are incorrect. The objective of this assessment is not to get all of the questions correct; the test is actually designed for students to get 50% of questions correct. While your child is responding, the test is determining their instructional level. This is important information for the teacher and your child.

Knowing what your child already knows, as well as what they are ready to learn is an essential part of the learning process; an authentic test experience from your child will provide that for all of us. Thank you for playing such a vital role in partnering with us in ensuring that students receive a high quality education.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads 'Laura Hill'.

Laura Hill
Director of Assessment & Accountability