

Summer 2021

Dear Families:

This past spring, your student took a state-mandated test called the ACT Aspire. As the name suggests, it is aligned with the ACT and provides a look at how prepared students are for success in college and career. The results of this spring's test are enclosed.

Given the conditions imposed by the global pandemic, the efforts and focus by students, families, and staff to complete the ACT Aspire are greatly appreciated! Test results will be used by the district to inform future decisions related to curriculum and instruction, however the context and time when the test was given will always be taken into consideration. Decisions regarding individual student performance will always use multiple sources of information over time.

The results are intended to show if a student is "on track" to be college and career ready by the time they graduate from high school. This information should be used in conversations with schools regarding course selection and future planning.

If you would like updated information regarding the ACT Aspire test, including what the results represent, please see our website. You can find this information at:

[mmsd.org/aspiretest](http://mmsd.org/aspiretest)

You can also contact me with questions at [tpeterson2@madison.k12.wi.us](mailto:tpeterson2@madison.k12.wi.us).

Sincerely,



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