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Dear Families,

It's almost that time again! Standardized testing for students in grades 3-5 begins next week and the intent of this letter is to familiarize everyone with the process and timelines for NEA students. Please take a moment to review the following information carefully.

The SBAC (Smarter Balanced) and NGSS (Next Generation Science Standards) tests are both administered on computers. These assessments are designed to measure skills in reading comprehension, writing, mathematics, and real-world science questions that require students to demonstrate their understanding of curricular content. In all of these statewide assessments, additional supports are available for students with special needs, as determined by an individualized education program (IEP) or 504 Plan. Only students in grade five take the NGSS assessment.

As you know, we have been busy preparing and reinforcing the skills necessary for students to demonstrate their learning on these assessments. Please help your child be ready for their tests by:

- Getting your child to school on time after a good night's rest.
- Providing a healthy breakfast to start the day.
- Encouraging his or her success with positivity and optimism.
- Reiterating the importance of doing their personal best!
- Sending them to school with their own headphones. We do have extras.

NEA's testing schedule is posted on our school website. Testing begins on Monday, May 9th and runs through the majority of the month with time at the end of May for make-up testing as needed.

If you have any questions, please contact building administration.

Sincerely,



Ryan Chaney
Principal