January 19, 2023

Dear Parents & Guardians,

It's time for the **M**iddle **o**f the **Y**ear (MOY) MAP Test.

MAP or Measure of Academic Progress measures growth and instructional readiness and is used as a formative assessment for MISD students in grades 3-8. The subjects include Reading, Math, and Science. The **B**eginning **o**f the **Y**ear (BOY) test was given in September. It showed us where your child was academically compared to the previous year. The MOY will measure the student's progress since the BOY and will determine their future instructional needs.

The MAP test builds a unique test for each student. It provides us with students' current instructional level. The assessment is not meant to be stressful or lengthy. Students are not expected to know the answer to every question. They should use their best test-taking skills. Students may not skip items or go back. Note that all students must test in person. Each test takes 45-75 minutes to complete. Students are required to turn off all wireless devices to help eliminate connectivity issues in each class.

- Please ensure your child is present on the testing days.
- Your child's Chromebook should be fully charged daily.
- Make-up testing for those absent will be held on Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday.

The schedule is as follows; **Monday, January 23** students will test in periods *1, 2, 3, and 5*. On **Tuesday, January 24** students will test in periods *6, 7, 8, and 9*. All classes will be 90 minutes long. Whatever period your child has Math, ELAR and Science is when they will complete that MAP Test. Lunches will be held between 11:30 am to 12:45 pm.

Students may practice by going to this Family Toolkit at https://www.nwea.org/the-map-suite/family-toolkit/ or they can also open the practice tests directly from this website: practice.mapnwea.org; **Username** = grow **Password** = grow. The MAP Practice Tests include about 5 questions each but do not provide a score.

With your continued support, we believe we will help our students become Life, College, and Career ready. If you have any questions and the Family Report, please contact me at stephaniegaston@misdmail.org

Thank you,

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