

Dear Families:

Wisconsin students in 3^{rd} - 8^{th} as well as 10^{th} grade will be participating in the Forward Exam during the March 18 to April 26 testing window. Our school is scheduled to take the Forward Exam the weeks of April 1^{st} and April 8^{th} .

The Forward Exam tests students in the areas of English language arts, math, science, and/or social studies. One or more subtests may be administered daily during the regular school hours throughout the two-week period. Classroom teachers will send home information on the specific testing schedule for each classroom after Spring Break. Students attending in-person who are not in school on the scheduled testing days will be scheduled for a make-up test prior to the close of the testing window.

Enclosed is an *Informational Brochure for Families*, which gives more information about the assessment including its purpose, what scores will be provided, and how the scores will be used. The Forward Exam measures the knowledge and skills of your student(s) within the content areas relative to their grade level. Their performance on the assessment will not affect their grades or report cards but will be shared with families in the fall of 2024, once they are received by the school. The results of these tests will be used to help school staff engage in continuous improvement efforts to best support your child(ren).

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to reach out by phone, email, or appointment.

Sincerely,

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