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MAP® Growth™ Testing

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Derfelt Families,

During the next 3 weeks your child will take an online assessment called MAP® Growth™. Each school year in the Clark County School District, students in grades K-10 participate in MAP testing during fall, winter, and spring in the areas of reading and mathematics.

MAP measures what students already know and what they are ready to learn next. Educators use this data to facilitate conversations with students about their learning and to set personalized growth goals. MAP also provides educators with data to customize lessons to meet your child's instructional needs.

MAP tests are unique in that they adapt to be appropriate for your child's level of learning. When your child answers a question correctly, the test follows up with a more challenging question. When your child answers incorrectly, the test follows up with an easier question. As a result, each student has the same opportunity to succeed and maintain a positive attitude while testing.

We are truly excited to have a year that focuses on every child's individual growth and achievement. Together, families and teachers can have a profound positive effect on the lives of our children.

For more information on resources for parents/guardians including brief videos on the MAP assessment, visit <https://www.nwea.org/parent-toolkit/>. Students can get familiar with the test by going to [Student Resources \(nwea.org\)](#). Derfelt's website has some MAP testing resources at [Testing Resources and Tips | Herbert A Derfelt ES](#).

Prior to testing, please talk with your child about doing his or her best. You know your child better than anyone. Emphasize the importance of the test, but remember to build confidence, not anxiety. By working together, we can make your child's test experience positive and successful. Here are some suggestions that you can do to help your child succeed:

*Have your child get a good night's rest. *Have your child eat a healthy breakfast. *Make sure your child arrives at school on time (by 9:00 a.m.) *Encourage your child to do their best.



Thank you for your continuous support! :)