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Dear Parents,

Our third through eleventh grade students will begin statewide assessments next week. These assessments are aligned to the Colorado Academic Standards and measure real-world skills like problem solving, communicating, and critical thinking. These skills are critical to success in college and careers in the 21st Century. These assessments, called the Colorado Measures of Academic Success tests (CMAS), examine students' knowledge in English Language Arts(ELA), Math, Science and Social Studies.

Freshman, Sophomores, and Juniors will complete the PSAT 8/9, PSAT 10, and SAT in this time frame as well. Much like the CMAS tests these assessments are designed to measure real-world skills. Students in these grades have set up a Big Futures account through College Board and can use these accounts to access free resources including interactive videos, practice questions, reference articles, and full-length practice tests. I would encourage students to login to their Big Futures account and take advantage of these resources to not only prepare for these assessments, but to access resources to help determine their interests and plan for life after high school.

While these tests are only one measure of student progress, they are helpful in determining areas of strength and weakness for individual students and for the district as a whole. This information can be used to improve instruction, guide college and career planning and help develop a schedule for students keeping these goals in mind. For this reason it is important for students to come to school well rested and on time. I have attached a schedule for the first week of testing and will send more information as I continue to work on scheduling these assessments around extracurricular activities.

Thank you for supporting your student and working with us to ensure their continued success.

Monday 4/6	Tuesday 4/7	Wednesday 4/8	Thursday 4/9
9:00 - 10:30	9:00 - 10:30	9:00 - 10:30	9:00-10:30
7th ELA Unit 1	7th Math Unit 1	7th Math Unit 2	7th Math Unit 3
8th Math Unit 1	8th ELA Unit 1	8th ELA unit 2	8th ELA Unit 3
	1:30-3:00	1:30-3:00	
	7th ELA Unit 2	7th ELA Unit 3	
	8th Math Unit 2	8th Math Unit 3	

7th and 8th Science and 7th Social Studies tests will be scheduled during the week of 4/13-4/16.

In addition to the SAT, Juniors are also required to complete the Science CMAS. This consists of 2 Science Units and will be administered from 11:00-12:00 on Tuesday 4/7 and Thursday 4/9.

Tuesday 4/14	Wednesday 4/15
9:00-11:30	9:00-11:30
Freshman PSAT w/ Mrs. Westphal in DL	Sophomores PSAT 10 w/ Mrs. Westphal in DL
	Juniors SAT w/ Mrs. Mundell in Ms. Gourley's room

Please feel free to contact me with any questions or concerns you may have regarding upcoming testing.

Thank you,

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