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Dear Parents,

Each spring, students in grades 3–8 participate in the **Smarter Balanced Assessment (SBA)**, a statewide assessment that measures your child's progress toward grade-level standards in **English/Language Arts (ELA)** and **Mathematics**. Students in **5th and 8th grade** will also take the **Next Generation Science Standards (NGSS) Science Assessment**, which measures their understanding of key science concepts and practices.

What will my child be tested on?

Your child will complete the following tests based on their grade:

- One ELA test
- Two Mathematics tests
- One Science test *(5th and 8th grade only)*

Testing Window

Our testing window runs from May 1st through the end of May. Homeroom teachers will announce specific grade-level testing dates via Apptegy. Please make every effort to ensure your child is present, well-rested, and on time during this period. All tests begin promptly at 9:40 a.m. Arriving late may affect your child's ability to take the test. These assessments are an important measure of your child's mastery of grade-level standards and help shape the support they receive. Please prioritize attendance and punctuality during these weeks.

Thank you for all you do to promote your child's success in school.

Sincerely,
Principal Sloley
Assistant Principal Ferris