

Pleasantdale School District 107

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Dear Pleasantdale School District 107 Families,

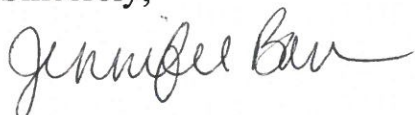
During the week of September 11, 2017, your child will take tests called Measures of Academic Progress® (MAP®) Assessments. We give students MAP tests to determine your child's instructional level and to measure academic growth throughout the school year, and from year to year in the areas of Reading and Math. Depending on the grade level, your child will take the tests on either an iPad, Chromebook, or laptop.

MAP tests are unique in that they adapt to be appropriate for your child's level of learning. As a result, each student has the same opportunity to succeed and maintain a positive attitude toward testing. And with MAP tests, we can administer shorter tests and use less class time while still receiving detailed, accurate information about your child's growth. Over the next few days, your child will spend a total of about two to three hours completing these tests.

Each school year, students in kindergarten through 8th grade take the tests in September, December, and May. Following each testing period, you will receive a report showing your child's growth. We continue to support a positive learning environment that focuses on every child's individual growth and achievement. Partnering to help all kids learn, parents and teachers can have a profound positive effect on the lives of our children.

We encourage you to view the Parent Toolkit for more information on MAP by visiting: <https://www.nwea.org/parent-toolkit/>

Sincerely,



Dr. Jennifer Ban

Assistant Superintendent of Teaching and Learning