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Dear Parents & Guardians,

This spring your children will be taking the Ohio State Assessment. As dedicated educators, we have carefully observed the testing process and have learned a great deal about these tests. As part of our instructional program, we work towards preparing our students to perform proficiently on standardized tests. This year's Ohio State Assessment for reading and math will be administered to students in grades 5-8. Students in grades 5 and 8 will also take the science test. Your child's tests will be administered on the following dates:

ELA Part 1 April 2nd, 7:30am-10:30am ELA Part 2 April 3rd, 7:30am-10:30am

Science Part 1 April 8th, 7:30am-10:30am Science Part 2 April 10th , 7:30am-10:30am (5th & 8th only)

Math Part 1 April 15th, 7:30am-10:30am Math Part 2 April 17th, 7:30am-10:30am

We attempt to provide you these dates early to help with your planning for test days. We encourage you to have your child at school on time on assigned testing days. This will allow your child to take the test with one of their own teachers in an environment that is the most comfortable for them.

The tips below are simple things that can be done to help ensure that your student has a successful testing experience this school year. Please take a moment to review the list with your child and discuss any other questions or concerns your student may have regarding the testing.

1. Make sure your child gets plenty of rest
2. Ensure your child eats a nutritious breakfast each morning
3. Students should be reminded not to rush, but rather to pace themselves
4. Students should read questions entirely before answering
5. If time permits, students should review their test to ensure that all questions have been answered

We thank you for sharing your children with us and for entrusting us to ensure that they acquire the skills and knowledge they need to achieve their dreams and your hopes for them. Please know that we care about your children and will continue to do everything in our power to fill their school days with learning that is creative, engaging, challenging, rewarding and joyous. Your child's best effort on this test benefits both him/her and the school as a whole. Please do not hesitate to speak to us or your child's teachers if you have any additional questions or concerns regarding the Ohio State Assessment.

As always, thank you for your support!

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