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Dear Parent/Guardian,

I am writing with information about the upcoming New York State Tests in ELA and Math being administered in Grades 3-8. The schedule for assessments in the Elementary School is below.

Tue. April 2	ELA Paper Based Test Grades 3-5	Day 1
Wed. April 3	ELA Paper Based Test Grades 3-5	Day 2
Thu. April 4	ELA Computer Based Test Grade 6	Day 1
Fri. April 5	ELA Computer Based Test Grade 6	Day 2
Wed. May 1	Math Paper Based Test Grades 3-6	Day 1
Thu. May 2	Math Paper Based Test Grades 3-6	Day 2

This year, we will be administering the New York State Computer Based Test for the first time, in Grade 6 ELA. The state is encouraging schools to move toward fully implemented Computer Based Tests, and our school is starting this process for the first time this spring. We have been preparing our sixth graders to take the assessment this spring using our Chrome Books, and we are excited to see how the process goes.

This schedule reflects the reduced number of testing days that were in place last year; as well as being untimed, with fewer test questions overall. These changes are intended to better enable our students to demonstrate what they know and are able to do. The participation of all students is important to provide our school with information that helps our teachers to make continual improvements to our curriculum and program.

As always, we encourage all parents to assist us in assuring that our students are prepared by making sure they have a good night's sleep and on time to school. Thank you for your continued support of our school.

Sincerely,



Mark Foti
K-6 Principal