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Dear Parents/Guardians:

RE: Participation in New Hampshire Assessments

We are writing to let you know about your children's participation in New Hampshire Assessments this spring: Students in grades 3 through 8 will be assessed in reading and writing and in mathematics; children in grades 5, 8 and 11 will be assessed in science; and your child in grade 11 will take the College Board School Day SAT (Scholastic Aptitude Test).

Please note your school principal's message on the reverse side of our letter for greater detail on the upcoming assessment schedule and duration.

Assessments are required by law, and our teachers, principals and faculty in Nashua see value in assessment results. The results along with information about your student's daily work in the classroom are valuable tools in letting us know how your child is progressing academically. We are all committed to being sure each student gains the knowledge and skills needed each year to make sure they are ready for next step in learning. If you choose to exempt your student from the federally-required assessments, you must complete and submit a signed form to the school your child attends. The exemption form is published on the school district website. Please understand that if you choose to exempt your student from the assessment, no scores or summary of individual student performance, based on the statewide assessment, will be provided to you or your student.

We appreciate your help in making sure your child is prepared the day assessments are administered so we ask that you make sure your child gets a good night's sleep and eats a healthy breakfast. If you have concerns about testing, please take the time to talk with your child's teacher before the start of the assessments this spring. Thank you for your support.

Sincerely,

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