



Dear Parents & Guardians,

As you know, the Coronavirus is currently delaying the start of our in-person instruction for 2020-2021 academic school year and so we are 100% remote instruction. This means that teachers are currently conducting all of their instruction via the computer. Student assessments will also be remote. In order for teachers to meet the instructional needs of our students, teachers will need as much data as possible. Beginning the week of September 14, 2020, our 3<sup>rd</sup> through 7<sup>th</sup> grade will be taking the MAP® Growth™ test from NWEA® on their school issued computer. MAP Growth scores help teachers check student performance by measuring achievement and growth. Teachers will use results to tailor classroom lessons and set goals for students. MAP Growth tests are unique, in that they adapt to your child's responses to measure your child's skill level. If your child answers a question correctly, the next question is more challenging. If they answer incorrectly, the next one is easier. **Students cannot pass or fail this test. This test will not affect grades.** In fact, it is normal for students to only answer about half of the questions correctly. **PLEASE DO NOT HELP THEM!** These results will provide a more complete picture of what your child knows and is ready to learn. Since MAP Growth tests provide immediate and accurate information about your child's learning, it is easy for teachers to identify students with similar scores that are generally ready for instruction in similar skills and topics, and then plan instruction accordingly.

**Let us work together and make your child's experience a positive and successful one!**

Here are some suggestions you can do to help:

- Have your child eat a healthy breakfast before testing begins.
- Ensure your child gets a good night's sleep.
- Encourage him/her to try their best.
- Charge your Laptop overnight.
- Use headphones to help filter outside noises.

Grade:	3rd – 7th (Remote Testing by Assigned Times)
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Monday, 09/14, Tuesday, 09/15 and Thursday, 09/17
4 <sup>th</sup>	Friday, 09/18, Monday, 09/21 and Tuesday, 09/22
5 <sup>th</sup>	Thursday, 09/24, Friday 09/25 and Monday, 09/28
6 <sup>th</sup>	Tuesday, 09/29, Thursday, 10/01 and Friday 10/02
7 <sup>th</sup>	Tuesday, 09/29, Thursday, 10/01 and Friday 10/02