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**Re: PARCC Testing Grades 5 & 6**

Dear Parents/Guardians,

The second part of the Partnership for Assessment of Readiness for College and Careers (PARCC) Assessments will be administered to students in grades 5 & 6 during the week of May 11<sup>th</sup>. Students will be taking the PARCC – End of Year Assessments on May 11<sup>th</sup> – May 13<sup>th</sup> (students in grade 6 will have testing on May 14<sup>th</sup>). This is the second part of the PARCC Assessment that students started in March. Students need to complete both sections of the assessment to receive a score report.

The content and structure of the PARCC assessments were developed from the skills and knowledge identified by the Common Core Curriculum Standards. PARCC is a group of 12 states and the District of Columbia working together to develop a common set of computer-based assessments for students in English language arts/literacy (ELA) and mathematics. The PARCC assessments replaced the New Jersey Assessment of Skills and Knowledge (NJASK) for language arts and mathematics.

Attendance on these days is very important. Please try to reschedule any appointments that are not critical so that your child will be in school. In addition, it is vital that your child arrive to school on time as testing will take place in the morning. Students will not be permitted to enter the classroom once testing has begun.

A good night’s rest and good breakfast will help your child to do his/her best.

Sincerely,

Michael Neu,  
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