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Dear Parents/Guardians,

Tomorrow the Pennsylvania System of School Assessment (PSSA) will start for students in grades 3<sup>rd</sup> to 5<sup>th</sup>. Students will start with English Language Arts this week, followed by Math and Science (5<sup>th</sup> grade only) next week. Below are specific testing dates for each content area. Students should be prompt to school, <u>8:00AM</u>, so testing can begin on time. If a student is late to school, they will not be permitted into the classroom if testing has started. If a student is absent from school, they will make up the missed section a different day.

English Language Arts – Wednesday (4/23), Thursday (4/24), and Friday (4/25)

Mathematics – Tuesday (4/29) and Wednesday (4/30)

Science (5<sup>th</sup> grade only) – Thursday (5/1) and Friday (5/2)

Make-up tests – Monday (5/5)-Friday (5/9)

The Pennsylvania Department of Education (PDE) requires that schools maintain a high level of testing security. For this reason, we are requesting that students do not bring any electronic devices to school on testing dates. **Electronic devices include smartphones, smart watches, Kindles, iPods, etc.** Electronic devices cannot be in the testing room or on person. In the event a student has an electronic device, we will take the necessary procedures to maintain a secure testing environment, but we ask for parent support with this requirement by PDE.

I know your child has been prepared for these assessments by their teacher. The teachers have provided them with the skills needed to be successful on the test and believe in them. We as a school and district know your child can be successful and will do his/her best!

Please encourage your child to take their time, use the tools necessary that were taught, and ensure they get proper rest while getting to school at 8:00AM.

Thank you for your time regarding this matter!

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