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Re: MAP Growth Tests – March 15-26, 2021

Dear Parents,

The time has arrived for the Spring MAP Growth testing session for students in Years 3-10. We administer MAP Growth tests to collect another set of data in our assessment of student learning and to help measure academic growth throughout the school year (and from year to year) in Mathematics, Reading and Language Use.

MAP Growth tests are unique in that they adapt to your child's level of learning. If your child answers a question correctly, the next question is more challenging. If they answer incorrectly, the next one is easier. This results in a detailed 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, they provide useful data for teachers to identify students with similar scores that are ready for instruction in similar skills and topics, and then plan instruction accordingly.

MAP Growth reports also provide typical growth data for students who are in the same grade, subject, and have the same starting performance level. This global comparison means our language learners are measured against students in the US and Canada who are growing up in an English household.

Each half hour spent on a test provides worthwhile pieces of data related to your child's individual growth and achievement. Alone, they are but a sampling of their performance on that day. Bringing these results together with our other IB assessment methods, we can be confident that we are able to target their instruction to their benefit. For more information about the MAP Growth test, visit: NWEA.org/Parent-Toolkit.

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