

Feb. 25, 2015

Dear Parents:

Thursday and Friday morning, Feb. 26 & 27, your child will be taking the PARCC math assessment. If we have a two-hour delay, we will proceed with the PARCC assessment in the afternoon. If school is cancelled, we will administer the assessment the following day. This assessment is a 75 minute Performance Based Assessment (PBA) for third grade students in the state of Ohio. This is a new assessment that replaces the mathematics OAA. The students from Western Elementary have always performed well on the mathematics OAA, and I know we will see the same results from this third grade class as well with the PARCC assessment.

The third grade teachers and I are asking for your support on these assessment days. We would appreciate your assistance with preparing your child for the assessment in the following ways. First, be sure that your child receives a good night sleep the night before the assessment. This allows your child to be focused during the assessment. Next, be sure that your child eats a well-balanced breakfast. Please, note that breakfast will still be available at school the morning of the assessment. However, a nutritious breakfast allows your child to think more clearly and will allow for sustainability throughout the day. Lastly, provide your student with two- #2 pencils and encourage your child to perform their best on the assessment. Therefore, as a district we simply ask them to show their Minutemen pride by doing their best work.

A good education comes from the school and the parents working together, so I want to thank you for all of your support. If you have any questions concerning the PARCC assessment, please, feel free to contact me at 419-884-2765 ext. 5400.

Sincerely,

Genelle R. Eggerton
Elementary Principal