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Dear Somers Point Families:

Our teachers and school leaders have been working hard to make sure students are ready for their next chapter in education when they leave the Somers Point School District. In our schools, students are making progress toward New Jersey's Student Learning Standards. One way we measure our progress is through standardized test scores. The PARCC assessment and the New Jersey Science Assessment help measure that progress in English Language Arts, Mathematics, and Science. These assessments let us know if teaching and learning is aligned to the standards.

PARCC is given to all students in grades 3 to 8, and the New Jersey Science Assessment will be administered to students in grades 5 and 8. The testing schedule is attached. Testing will take place from April 18, 2018 through May 25, 2018.

Results from these assessments will provide important information to guide how we – teachers, school staff, administrators, parents, and students – can work together to support learning and ensure that students stay on track. Equally as important, the PARCC will help prepare our students for similar assessments when they get to high school and beyond. Assessment results will be available in late summer or early fall.

There are many resources available for parents on the New Jersey Department of Education Website: <http://www.state.nj.us/education/assessment/parents/>. Please examine these resources for more information.

The testing schedule is provided on the back of this letter. Please feel free to reach out to me or your school principal with any questions or concerns.

Thank you,

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Week	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
April 16 - 20	No Testing		5 th Grade ELA Unit 1; 90 min.	5 th Grade ELA Unit 2; 90 min.	5 th Grade ELA Unit 3; 90 min.
April 23 - 27		3 rd Grade ELA Unit 1; 90 min.	3 rd Grade ELA Unit 2; 75 min.	Take Your Child To Work Day	3 rd Grade ELA Unit 3; 90 min.
		8 th Grade ELA Unit 1; 110 min.	8 th Grade ELA Unit 2; 110 min.		8 th Grade ELA Unit 3; 90 min.
April 30 – May 4	4 th Grade ELA Unit 1; 90 min.	4 th Grade ELA Unit 2; 90 min.	4 th Grade ELA Unit 3; 90 min.	5 th Grade Math Unit 1: 60 min.	5 th Grade Math Unit 2: 60 min.
	7 th Grade ELA Unit 1; 110 min.	7 th Grade ELA Unit 2; 110 min.	7 th Grade ELA Unit 3; 90 min.	6 th Grade ELA Unit 1; 90 min.	6 th Grade ELA Unit 2; 90 min.
	Make Up Testing				
May 7 - 11	5 th Grade Math Unit 3 60 min.	5 th Grade Math Unit 4; 60 min.	3 rd Grade Math Unit 1; 60 min	3 rd Grade Math Unit 2; 60 min.	3 rd Grade Math Unit 3; 60 min.
	6 th Grade ELA Unit 3; 90 min	8 th Grade Math Unit 1; 80 min.	8 th Grade Math Unit 2; 80 min.	8 th Grade MATH Unit 3; 80 min.	7 th Grade Math Unit 1; 80 min
	Make Up Testing				
May 14 - 18	3 rd Grade Math Unit 4; 60 min.	4 th Grade Math Unit 1; 60 min.	4 th Grade Math Unit 2; 60 min.	4 th Grade Math Unit 3; 60 min.	4 th Grade Math Unit 4; 60 min.
	7 th Grade Math Unit 2; 80 min..	7 th Grade Math Unit 3; 80 min.	6 th Grade Math Unit 1; 80 min.	6 th Grade Math Unit 2; 80 min.	6 th Grade Math Unit 3; 80 min..
	Make Up Testing – ALL Grades				
May 21 - 25		5 th Grade Science Units 1 & 2; 60 min.		5 th Grade Science Units 3 & 4; 60 min.	
		8 th Grade Science Units 1 & 2; 90 min.		8 th Grade Science Units 3 & 4; 90 min.	