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Dear Parents of Students in Grades 3-8:

The 2024-2025 New York State English Language Arts and Mathematics Assessment in Grades 3-8 will be administered in April. The Science Assessments for Grade 5 and Grade 8 will be administered in May. The NYS testing program is designed to evaluate the implementation of the State's Learning Standards at the student, school, district and state levels. All assessments are computer based.

Based on the calendar established by the NYS Department of Education for the 2024-25 school year, the assessments will be administered as follows:

NYS English Language Arts Assessment - 2 Day Test	Grades 3-8	4/8-4/9
NYS Mathematics Assessment – 2 Day Test	Grades 3-8	4/29-4/30
NYS Science Assessment - 1 Day Test	Grade 5	5/13
NYS Science Assessment - 1 Day Test	Grade 8	5/13

We recognize that parents will make decisions that they believe to be in the best interest of their children. If you do not wish your child to participate in the exams, we ask that you complete the **2025 NYS Assessment Participation Refusal Form** located on the Parent Portal no later than **Tuesday, April 1, 2025** so that building administrative teams can safely and appropriately plan for all students on those dates. **We ask that you complete this form even if you have already sent in a letter to the building administration regarding your wishes.**

In Massapequa, we are proud of the comprehensive education our students are afforded. Assessment results provide only one snapshot in the overall picture of your child's academic development. With the collaborative efforts of school and home, our children will continue to demonstrate a high level of success. We respect each parent's choice and thank you for your ongoing support.

Sincerely,

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