



Chesapeake Math & IT South Elementary

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Dear Parents,

In the coming weeks, all students in grades five and eight in the state of Maryland will participate in the Maryland Integrated Science Assessment (MISA), one of the assessments in the Maryland Comprehensive Assessment Program (MCAP). The Federal Every Student Succeeds Act requires Maryland to test science content at least once in the elementary and once in the middle school grades. This is an online assessment based on the Next Generation Science Standards which the state of Maryland has adopted for their curriculum. Schools taking the online test will create a schedule in order for students to access computers and take the test between March 7th and March 24th. The test is administered over two days and will take approximately two hours each day.

The test will include both selected response and constructed response items. The online version of the test will also include Technology Enhanced Items.

It is extremely important that your child is in school and on time each day of testing. Make-up testing is required for all students. Students may not be permitted to test if tardy on their assigned testing day.

**WE NEED YOUR HELP TO MAKE SURE YOUR STUDENT DOES HIS OR HER BEST JOB.
PLEASE...MAKE SURE...**

1. Your child arrives at school on time.
2. Your child eats a substantial breakfast in the morning that will give them the necessary energy and alertness for participation in testing.
3. Your child gets a good night's sleep the night before each testing day.
4. Your child is in school every testing day. Children absent on a testing day will participate in make-up testing.
5. Remind your student that during testing sessions all cell phones are turned off and secured
6. You encourage your child to do their best!

Thank you for your help. We know our students will do their best! Should you have any questions, please reach to the classroom teacher or to the school testing coordinator.

Sincerely yours,

Mr. Ronald A. Miller, Jr.
Principal