

September 24, 2016

Dear Parents/Guardians,

All HCPSS middle schools are participating in the assessment initiative, Measures of Academic Progress® (MAP®). The MAP assessments are unlike any other assessments that HCPSS administers in that they are designed to provide information on individual instructional skill levels and growth over time for each student. This information is invaluable as classroom teachers design lessons to meet students' instructional needs.

This week, September 26th - 30th, we are administering the math portion of the assessment to all 6th grade students and all 7th and 8th grade students taking Common Core Math. The reading portion of MAP will be administered to all students the week of October 10th - 16th.

MAP assessments in reading and mathematics are taken on the computer and are programmed to adapt to your child's current instructional level. The test is untimed, so there are no defined time constraints, however, generally it takes approximately 50 minutes for students to complete the test. Your child's MAP results will not be a factor in his/her grades.

Students will receive MAP "home reports" with their first quarter report cards as well as a Student Progress Report Quick Reference that provides explanations and notes for parents.

If you have additional questions, please visit our website at <http://www.hcpss.org/academics/mapinfo.shtml>, or contact me.

Sincerely,

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