

March 21, 2022

Greetings Southeast Families:

We wanted to share with you our purpose, planning, and preparation efforts to help all of our students show what they know and are able to do on the upcoming 2022 Kansas State Assessments, also known as the Kansas Assessment Program (KAP):

To begin, the information we receive from the Kansas State Assessments is very important to our school:

- We are able to take a snapshot of what each student knows and can do.
- We can determine where we can improve as a school to better meet the needs of our students.
- We are able to look at between-year results to see if students are achieving and growing academically and then provide additional support to students as needed.
- These assessments are aligned with our Kansas Standards in the tested subject areas, which helps us to evaluate how well our school is doing to prepare our students for success using our locally developed curriculum.

Students in grades 3-8 and grade 10 will complete both the mathematics and English Language Arts (ELA) assessments this year. These assessments are relatively brief and consist of two testing sessions each. Additionally, students are scheduled to complete the following assessments:

- Students in grades 5, 8, and 11 will complete the science assessment.
- Students in grades 4, 7, 11 will complete the history, government, and social studies assessment, completed during the school year in class.

The Kansas State Department of Education (KSDE) provides testing “windows” each year for us to have students complete these important and informative assessments. This window allows us the flexibility to assess students within a specific range of dates. Students will complete these assessments as follows:

- Math, English Language Arts, and Science between March 21st and April 29th

We are required to administer these assessments to all eligible and applicable students, and we are planning and preparing to do so with student success at the forefront of our considerations. To help students be at their best, we are planning for the following proactive measures when we have our students complete these assessments:

- These tests are not timed, and students will not be rushed to complete them during their sessions
- Students will have access to various supplies and manipulatives we provide during their sessions

To access your child’s test scores online, please make sure your current email address is in PowerSchool. If not, update the address in your child’s school office.

If you have any questions about the 2021-2022 Kansas Assessment Program, please do not hesitate to let us know.

Sincerely,
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