

March 3, 2021

Dear Parent/Guardian,

Students in kindergarten through fifth grade take the MAP Growth tests three times a year. On April 13 and 15, 2021, your child will take the spring MAP® Growth™ test from NWEA® on a computer or tablet. MAP Growth scores help teachers check student performance by measuring achievement and growth. Teachers use results to tailor classroom lessons and set goals for students.

MAP Growth tests are unique, and it adapts to your child's responses to measure your child's skill level. If your child answers a question correctly, the next question is more challenging. If they answer incorrectly, the next one is easier. These results will provide a more complete picture of what your child knows and is ready to learn—whether it is on, above, or below their grade level.

Since MAP Growth tests provide immediate and accurate information about your child's learning, it's easy for teachers to identify students with similar scores that are generally ready for instruction in similar skills and topics, and then plan instruction accordingly.

MAP Growth reports also provide typical growth data for students who are in the same grade, subject and have the same starting performance level.

Finally, please make sure your child gets plenty of rest the night before testing, eats a good breakfast to start their day and arrives to school on time. We are truly excited to see your child's individual growth and achievement. For more information about MAP Growth, visit NWEA.org/familytoolkit or you may contact your child's teacher or principal.

Sincerely,

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