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Greetings from School of the Arts NWEA Testing committee,

This document will help you prepare your child to take the MAP Growth test. Map Growth is a formative assessment that is given to students three times during a school year. Students in grades 1-8 are required to take the reading and the math assessments. The NWEA exams will be administered in your child's regularly scheduled classes. NWEA in Math will be given the week of October 19. NWEA in ELA will be given the week of October 26. Make up exams will conclude by November 6. We greatly appreciate your support during your child's testing:

What is MAP Growth?



MAP Growth helps teachers understand what students know today, so goals can be set to improve growth throughout the year. **Students cannot pass or fail this test.**



This test will not affect grades. In fact, it's normal for students to only answer about half the questions correctly. **Please don't help them!**



Given the challenges of learning from home, MAP Growth test results are especially helpful for us this year. **These results will help us know what students are ready to learn.**

The role of the parent is:

1. Minimize distractions for your child as much as possible
2. Provide a quiet testing environment
3. Assist younger students in logging in at test.mapnwea.org as needed.
4. Make sure you have a way to communicate with the teacher/proctor during the test
5. Make sure your device has an internet connection and meets testing requirements using the [Device Readiness Check](#)
6. Watch the MAP Growth [introduction video](#)

The role of the student is:

1. Complete the practice run with your teacher/proctor to ensure that there are no technical issues prior to the testing day. practice.mapnwea.org (Username: grow, Password: grow)
2. Enter your class's zoom link
3. Allow the teacher/proctor to open the testing session first
4. Log in at test.mapnwea.org
5. Make sure you have a way to communicate with the teacher/proctor during the test
6. Follow any additional instructions from the teacher/proctor

Sincerely,



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