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Dear Parents and Guardians,

Next week, we will be sending home student score reports from state tests taken during April of this year. Before you receive these score reports, please understand a few key points.

- The 2017 tests reflect new, more rigorous academic standards. The score required to pass the test is also very different.
- Because of these changes, any comparison between 2017 test scores and 2016 scores would be invalid.
- Lacking these test results until now has in no way kept our teachers from focusing on the
 individual needs of students. Test scores are merely one piece of information. When they
 come seven months after students tested, we simply move on without them.

We believe that raising expectations for our students is always a good thing. In Mid-Del, we are committed to a deeper understanding of what our state considers the phrase "college and career ready" to mean. As always, we will work to meet every academic challenge ahead of us.

If you have questions about these test results, or anything else regarding your student's education, please feel free to contact us.