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Hello parents,

We are in the homestretch of this very strange school year, and are looking forward to good things to come next year. With that being said, spring testing season is upon us. This year, the Michigan Department of Education (MDE) has put forward that we will be continuing statewide M-STEP assessments after we return from spring break, and every student in grades 3-8 is expected to test, including students who are doing remote learning. These assessments will be given online and will measure current student knowledge. The M-STEP will assess student learning on Michigan's standards in mathematics, English language arts (ELA), science and social studies.

Below is a list of the grades being tested and in what content area.

Grade Assessed:	Content Assessed:
3 rd Grade	Mathematics, ELA
4 th Grade	Mathematics, ELA
5 th Grade	Mathematics, ELA, Social Studies, Science
6 th Grade	Mathematics, ELA
7 th Grade	Mathematics, ELA,
8 th Grade	Science, Social Studies
11 th Grade	Science, Social Studies

As a school we have the flexibility to give the online tests anytime within a four-week window for each grade level. For example, schools will administer the subject area tests to students in grades 5 and 8 during the testing window of April 12-May 7. And all students in grades 3,4,6 and 7 will test between April 26-May 21.

If your child is remote, there will be set days/times for your child to come in and test. More information will be coming home from your child's teacher, and we appreciate your help in making sure they get a good night's rest the night before and eat a healthy breakfast. This test is very important to your child as well as our school.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions about testing at jpletcher@ellsworth.k12.mi.us or 231-588-2544 ext. 25005.

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