HERRIN COMMUNITY UNIT DISTRICT NO. 4

HERRIN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

March 2021

Dear Parent or Guardian:

We will be giving your child state-required IAR Assessments April 12 – April 29. Students in grades three, four, five, six, seven and eight will be tested in reading/language arts and mathematics. The tests are a part of the Partnership for Assessment of Readiness for College and Careers (IAR) and are being given to all eligible students at this time. The results of IAR will be reported to you on the School Report Card by fall 2021. We will review these results along with information from our local assessments to help us improve our school program. In addition, you will receive information about your child's performance on the state tests he or she took. Other assessments given in April will include the Illinois Science Assessment (April 19-22) and the NWEA MAP Test beginning April 26th.

You can help your child do his/her best on the test by:

- 1. making sure, if possible, that your child attends school on the days of testing;
- 2. making sure your child gets a good night's sleep the night before testing;
- 3. providing breakfast on the mornings of testing;
- 4. reminding your child to ask the teacher questions if he/she does not understand the test directions:
- 5. letting your child know that you have confidence in his/her ability to do his/her best; and advising your child not to worry about the test just do the best he/she can.
- 6. bring school issued chromebook device fully charged each day.

Please call your child's Math or ELA teacher if you want additional information or have further questions about these tests.

We look forward to sharing the IAR Test results with you this fall.

Sincerely yours, Mrs. Bobbi Heuring, Principal