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Dear Lake Fenton Families,

The Michigan Association of Intermediate School Administrators (MAISA), Genesee Intermediate School District, and Lake Fenton Community Schools are working to improve the way we gather information about kindergarten students at the beginning of the school year. This work is happening in conjunction with several other states, and in partnership with the Johns Hopkins University Center for Technology in Education.

What is the purpose of the Kindergarten Readiness Assessment (KRA)? The KRA will help school districts better understand how to gather information about students' skills and behaviors at the start of kindergarten. The results from the KRA will not be used to evaluate your child's performance but can be used by teachers to inform instruction for the entire class.

When will the Kindergarten Readiness Assessment take place? The KRA will take place between the beginning of the school year and November 1st, 2019.

What will your child be asked to do? Your child's teacher will lead him/her through a series of activities and questions. The teacher will also observe your child's behavior during the normal daily routine. All activities and questions have been developed specifically for children who are just entering kindergarten.

How will data be collected and used? All the information that will be collected about your child will be kept confidential and in a secure location. No identifying information about your child will be shared.

If you have any questions about the Kindergarten Readiness Assessment, please contact Kate VanHouten, Director of Curriculum and Instruction.

Thank you,

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