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Dear Parents,

In the upcoming days, the Palmyra School District will be participating in the Partnership for the Assessment of Readiness for College and Careers (PARCC). Students in Grades 3-8, Algebra I, Geometry, Algebra II, English 9, English 10 and English 11 are required to participate in this assessment.

New Jersey state law requires that the Palmyra School District participate and administer the PARCC assessment. Please be aware that the school district cannot grant permission to a parent for their child to "opt-out" of PARCC. Scores for PARCC are used to satisfy the NJ Department of Education requirements to demonstrate proficiency in language arts and mathematics for high school graduation.

The education of EVERY student matters and it is necessary that we have 100% participation in the PARCC. WE ARE PALMYRA PROUD!

Thank you for your continued support of the Palmyra School District and please feel free to contact your child's guidance counselor or building principal with any questions about the PARCC assessment.

Sincerely,

Brian J. McBride

Superintendent of Schools