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Dear Families,

This past spring, our students participated in a variety of summative assessments based on their grade-levels. We are excited that the West Virginia Department of Education has released those scores to us to share them with you.

We know our students have faced many unexpected challenges during recent years. We are proud of their perseverance and the dedication they have shown to their education over time.

Having a snapshot of our students' progress and mastery of skills is more important than ever as we work to help our students get back on track. These scores benefit our students, families, teachers and schools in a variety of ways:

- . Our students must understand what skills they've mastered and what skills they may need to revisit over the course of our current school year.
- . Our teachers need to see the same information to establish appropriate goals that best address students' needs.
- . Our district will analyze all of the data and determine our specific areas of need, so we can provide teachers the tools they need to best instruct our students.

In Cabell County Schools our students are so much more than a test score. Every student adds something unique to our schools and our district. It is our job to look at this data and figure out how we can best serve our students by providing a developmentally-appropriate education that meets their specific needs.

These scores do not tell our students' stories, but they do serve as a guide to help each one figure out where to go from this point forward.

Please take the time to sit down with your student and have a conversation about their academic progress. Talk about the last eighteen months, and encourage them to make positive steps toward their future by focusing on what they can do right now.

Our desire is for every stakeholder to learn from these scores. Marianne Williamson wrote, "Whatever worked in the past, build on it; whatever didn't work in the past, break the chains that bind you to it."

In Cabell County Schools our students create their own stories. Use these assessment results to help your child write their own story of success.

Sincerely,

Dr. Ryan S. Saxe