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Dear Parent(s)/Guardian(s):

I am writing you regarding the upcoming ELA Literature MCAS Exam that will be administered to all students at the Andrews Middle School between Monday, March 22nd and Monday, April 12th. As a school, we have done our best to prepare our students for this year's upcoming ELA Literature Exams. This year's results will be used to measure individual student progress, grade level progress, and overall school progress as we move toward the National Benchmark of 100% proficiency by the year 2014. All students will be taking the ELA Literature exams throughout the first and second week of testing (**Please refer to the back of this sheet for the testing schedule according to grade.**)

We cannot stress enough the importance of having all students present* on each day of the MCAS Exams. Please avoid scheduling appointments** if at all possible during this time. I hope you will make every effort to encourage your child to attend school during these important testing dates and urge them to actively participate in the MCAS Exams.

In the near future, we will hold grade level assemblies for all students to discuss the upcoming exams. During these MCAS Kick-Off Assemblies, we will share with our students several helpful test-taking practices and expected behavior. We appreciate any support that you may be able to provide at home as we enter this testing period.

I am extremely proud of the partnership that we have established with the parents/guardians of our students. Once again, I ask for your support as we prepare for the first round of this year's MCAS Exams. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact the school (781) 393-2228.

Sincerely,



Timothy S. Blake

**If a student is tardy to school on the day he/she is scheduled to take a test, he/she will may have to make up the test on a scheduled make up date. Once testing begins, students may not enter the classroom late.*

***Did you know that if a student is dismissed during a testing period, he/she cannot make up that session and will only receive credit for the portion he/she finished?*

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