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Greetings QCACS Families,

Our scholars in grades 2nd through 8th will be taking their final ANET benchmarks for both ELA and Math during the weeks of June 1st through June 12th. Teachers will use the data collected during this assessment to drive instruction for the remainder of the year and to prepare for next year's units.

It is important to note that testing will occur remotely. Scholars will report to an online room via the Zoom platform that will be set-up for testing. Scholars will only take one benchmark per day. Teachers have been tasked with leading discussions with your children regarding expectations and requirements for behavior and engagement during testing.

As a parent/guardian there are a few things you can do to ensure that your child is prepared for a successful assessment experience:

1. **Set up a workspace that is quiet and calm.** Make sure family members in the house are aware that your child is taking an important assessment and should not be interrupted.
2. **Have supplies ready to go in your workspace.** Your child should have access to scrap paper and a pencil. They can take notes and figure out all problems on scrap paper before selecting their answer on the online test.
3. **Use the math reference sheet.** Your child's math teacher will provide an online copy of the math reference sheet in Google Classroom. They are allowed to look at this sheet anytime during the test.
4. **Use the ELA pre-writing organizer.** Your child's ELA teacher will provide an online copy of the ELA pre-writing organizer in Google Classroom. They are allowed to look at this sheet anytime during the test.
5. **Remind your child to not navigate away from the testing platform.** If another webpage is opened while taking the ANet assessment, **their scores will be invalidated.**

As parents, we know it can be hard to watch your child work through a problem and not help them, but productive struggle is good! In order to ensure that we have the most accurate data possible, and be able to address each child's specific learning needs, we ask that you do not assist scholars while they are taking the assessment. Teachers will serve as proctors and are responsible for answering any questions scholars have during the process.

We thank you for your support.

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