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Dear Parents & Guardians

The New Jersey Assessment of Skills and Knowledge (NJASK) will be administered to our 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, and 5<sup>th</sup> grade students on the following dates. Included are the make-up dates for each grade level as well.

### **Grade 3**

May 10 – Language Arts Day 1  
11 – Language Arts Day 2  
12 – Math Day 1  
13 – Math Day 2  
17-20 – Make-ups

### **Grade 4**

May 10 – Language Arts Day 1  
11 – Language Arts Day 2  
12 – Math Day 1  
13 – Math Day 2  
14 – Science Day 1  
17-20 – Make-ups

### **Grade 5**

May 3 – Language Arts Day 1  
4 – Language Arts Day 2  
5 – Math Day 1  
6 – Math Day 2  
10-13 – Make-ups

### **TEST-TAKING TIPS**

**To support your child and prepare for testing, please observe the following.**

- Provide a good daily breakfast
- Pack a healthy snack each day (water bottle, snack food)
- Be sure your child is well rested
- Make sure your child comes to school on time – students may not be permitted to enter the testing location during any part of the test if late
- Do not overemphasize the test to help reduce test anxiety
- Avoid scheduling appointments or vacation during testing dates
- Remember to tell your child to have a great day at school, and ask them about their day when they get home

The NJASK was designed to align with the New Jersey Core Curriculum Content Standards (NJCCCS) in Mathematics, Language Arts, and Science (4<sup>th</sup> grade only). These standards delineate New Jersey's expectations for student learning. Our teaching staff continues to work daily with your children to organize instruction to best help them achieve the standards. Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact my office at 908-637-4115 or at [ebatha@gmrdsd.com](mailto:ebatha@gmrdsd.com).

Thank you,

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