MONTGOMERY TOWNSHIP SCHOOLS



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Dear Parent/Guardian,

For over 40 years, New Jersey has used statewide tests as one way to assess students' annual progress. Last spring, your child participated in the Partnership for Assessment of Readiness for College and Careers (PARCC) tests to measure his or her academic progress with the New Jersey Student Learning Standards. Evaluating the results from PARCC testing can be a helpful tool in measuring your child's success in school, and it is just one of the many ways your child's teachers and administrators can determine whether he or she is developing the skills and knowledge needed for success throughout school and after graduating high school.

According to the New Jersey Department of Education, in the third-year of the administration of PARCC, students throughout New Jersey continued to significantly improve, and the majority of eligible students participated in all of the tests. Furthermore, more students advanced into the highest-scoring levels, indicating they are on track for success in college and career when they graduate. In addition, a greater percentage of students advanced beyond the lower end of the proficiency scale, indicating that student gains are occurring across the board.

Enclosed, you will find an Individual Student Report(s) for your child. The Individual Student Report includes the following:

- An individual score report in each subject that your child was enrolled in for English language arts and mathematics;
- A written explanation indicating where your child is doing well and where he or she may need additional help; and
- Charts and graphics showing how well your student is performing in relation to the <u>New Jersey Student Learning Standards</u>, as well as how his or her performance compares to other students in your school, district and state.

Step by Step Interpretive Guides for the 2017 Score Reports can be found on the Montgomery Township School District website by clicking on the PARCC link under Quick Links: http://www.mtsd.k12.nj.us/Domain/1.

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The Montgomery Township School District is committed to ensuring that all students acquire the necessary knowledge, skills, and dispositions to succeed as adults in a global society. In addition, we are constantly striving to balance the affective with the academic and are committed to creating a personalized environment that recognizes and responds to the uniqueness of each and every child. This commitment to the education of our students is seen in every classroom and household throughout the district and it is because of the combined efforts of Montgomery Township parents, teachers, case managers, guidance counselors, staff, administrators and perhaps most importantly our exceptional students that we exemplify a community of learners.

For more information about your child's Individual Student Report, please click on the PARCC link under Quick Links on the District's website http://www.mtsd.k12.nj.us/Domain/1. Additional resources can be found on the New Jersey Department of Education's website.

Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

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