

Rose Hill Elementary School 760 Rosehill Road Reynoldsburg, OH 43068 (614) 367-2380 Fax (614) 367-2386

Dr. Maria Manzola, Principal

February 11, 2015

DearParents/Guardians,

Over the next two and half weeks, our third and fourth grade students will be taking the new PARCC assessments. School districts were given the option to take these assessments either online or paper-and-pencil. The elementary administrative team in Reynoldsburg determined the paper-and-pencil version would allow our students the best opportunity to be successful.

A new feature the PARCC tests offer is a variety of accommodations. Students may receive:

MATH TEST ACCOMMODATIONS

• Small Group

- $\circ~$ for fourth grade students as specified by IEP, 504 or ELL or for those scoring at risk on the DIBELS and/or STAR reading benchmark
- for third grade students who were off-track on their beginning-of-the-year diagnostic assessments or have this accommodation specified on their IEP or 504 plan
- for third and fourth grade students who would benefit from having a smaller group setting to maintain focus and/or attention for the duration of the assessment.

• Read Aloud

- for fourth grade students as specified by IEP, 504 or ELL or for those scoring intensive on the DIBELS and/or STAR reading benchmark
- for third grade students who were off-track on their beginning-of-the-year diagnostic assessments or have this accommodation specified on their IEP or 504 plan
- for third and fourth grade students who would benefit from having a smaller group setting to maintain focus and/or attention for the duration of the assessment.
- Extended Time as specified by third or fourth grade student's IEP, 504 or ELL plan
- Frequent Breaks as specified by third or fourth grade student's IEP, 504 or ELL plan
- **Redirection** as specified by third or fourth grade student's IEP, 504 or ELL plan
- **Clarify Directions** As specified by third or fourth grade student's IEP, 504 or ELL plan
- **Repeated Directions** as specified by third or fourth grade student's IEP, 504 or ELL plan

ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS ACCOMMODATIONS

• Small Group

- for fourth grade students as specified by IEP, 504 or ELL or for those scoring intensive on the DIBELS and/or STAR reading benchmark
- for third grade students who were off-track on their beginning-of-the-year diagnostic assessments or have this accommodation specified on their IEP or 504 plan
- for third and fourth grade students who would benefit from having a smaller group setting to maintain focus and/or attention for the duration of the assessment.

Read Aloud

- for fourth grade students as specified by IEP, 504 or ELL or for those scoring intensive on the DIBELS and/or STAR reading benchmark
- for third grade students who were off-track on their beginning-of-the-year diagnostic assessments or have this accommodation specified on their IEP or 504 plan
- for third and fourth grade students who would benefit from having a smaller group setting to maintain focus and/or attention for the duration of the assessment.
- Extended Time as specified by third or fourth grade student's IEP, 504 or ELL plan
- Frequent Breaks as specified by third or fourth grade student's IEP, 504 or ELL plan
- **Redirection** as specified by third or fourth grade student's IEP, 504 or ELL plan
- Clarify Directions As specified by third or fourth grade student's IEP, 504 or ELL plan

Attached please find the calendar for our Performance-Based PARCC Assessments. Please try not to schedule any appointments on these dates. Remember it is important that your child be at school for these tests and that they have eaten a healthy breakfast and enjoyed plenty of sleep the night before. Feel free to contact your child's teacher or myself if you have any questions.

Your partner in education, Dr. Maria Manzola Rose Hill Elementary Principal