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October 6, 2021

Dear 4th-8th Grade Parents,

Beginning on Wednesday, October 13, all students in grades 4-8 will take the “Start Strong” assessment that has been mandated by the NJ Department of Education and will be used in lieu of the New Jersey Student Learning Assessments (NJSLA) that were scheduled to be administered in spring 2021.

This assessment will test students’ knowledge of Math (grades 4-8), English Language Arts (ELA)(grades 4-8), and Science (grade 6) content from last year’s grade level to help us understand if any additional support may be necessary for them during this school year.

Students will be taking these assessments during the dates and periods listed on the attached schedule. Once available, individual student reports will be provided to parents and will include a description of the major concepts that were tested and data showing the student’s level of understanding in each content area.

Please feel free to contact me at rgallo@tccsnj.org if you have any questions regarding Start Strong and/or visit the NJDOE assessments website at <https://www.nj.gov/education/assessment/> for more information.

Thanks and Best Regards,

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Start Strong Fall 2021: Schedule at a Glance Grades 4-6

| GRADE 4: Students | Math | ELA |
|------------------------------|--|--|
| 3-4-1 & 3-4-4 4th Graders | Periods 2&3 Thursday, 10/14 Room 223 Fleischhauer | Periods 2&3 Friday, 10/15 Room 224 McDaniel |
| 3-4-2 & 3-4-3 4th Graders | Periods 7&8 Thursday, 10/14 Room 223 Fleischhauer | Periods 8&9 Friday, 10/15 Room 224 McDaniel |

| GRADE 5: Students | Math | ELA |
|------------------------------|---|--|
| 5-6-1 & 5-6-2 5th Graders | Periods 3&4 Wednesday, 10/20 Room 214 Yoon | Periods 2&3 Monday, 10/18 Room 218 Kurz |
| 5-6-3 & 5-6-4 5th Graders | Periods 8&9 Wednesday, 10/13 Room 214 Yoon | Periods 8&9 Thursday, 10/14 Room 218 Kurz |

| GRADE 6: Students | Math | ELA | Science |
|------------------------------|--|---|---|
| 5-6-1 & 5-6-2 6th Graders | Periods 2&3 Monday, 10/18 Room 214 Yoon | Periods 3&4 Wednesday, 10/20 Room 218 Kurz | Periods 2&3 Tuesday, 10/19 Room 214 Yoon |
| 5-6-3 & 5-6-4 6th Graders | Periods 8&9 Thursday, 10/14 Room 214 Yoon | Periods 8&9 Wednesday, 10/13 Room 218 Kurz | Periods 8&9 Tuesday, 10/19 Room 218 Kurz |



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Start Strong Fall 2021: Schedule at a Glance Grades 7-8

| GRADE 7: Students | Math | ELA |
|------------------------------|--|---|
| 7-8-1 & 7-8-4 7th Graders | Periods 1&2 Friday, 10/15 Room 220 Lee | Periods 1&2 Monday, 10/18 Room 216 Scalici |
| 7-8-2 & 7-8-3 7th Graders | Periods 3&4 Wednesday, 10/13 Room 220 Lee | Periods 8&9 Thursday, 10/14 Room 216 Scalici |

| GRADE 8: Students | Math | ELA |
|------------------------------|---|--|
| 7-8-1 & 7-8-4 8th Graders | Periods 1&2 Monday, 10/18 Room 220 Lee | Periods 1&2 Friday, 10/15 Room 216 Scalici |
| 7-8-2 & 7-8-3 8th Graders | Periods 8&9 Thursday, 10/14 Room 220 Lee | Periods 3&4 Wednesday, 10/13 Room 216 Scalici |

- **All Testing Sessions are a maximum of 60 minutes in Length**
- **Students will use their 1-1 chromebook device for testing**
- **Only students receiving a Text To Speech Accommodation need Headphones**
- **All other students may wear headphones to block out sound, but may not plug them in**