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Dear Palmer Grade 3-5 Families:

With the announcement released yesterday that New York State will not receive a waiver to cancel 2020-21 NYS Assessments for students, I wanted to reach out to provide information regarding testing dates and the format for assessments in both ELA & Math.

While during a typical experience a student would participate in 2 sessions, the experience this year will only ask students to sit for Session I. Historically, this portion has consisted of multiple-choice questions related to reading and math.

Assessment Dates are as follows:

**ELA**

Grade 3: April 20

Grade 4: April 21

Grade 5: April 22

**Math**

Grade 3: May 3

Grade 4: May 4

Grade 5: May 5

*While students that have participated in fully remote instruction this year are NOT required to attend, we welcome all students to take part in the assessments. Please note that students will be responsible for transport to and from school on the day of testing and that you should contact the main office no later than Wednesday, April 14 to state your intention to have your student test.*

Should you have any questions or concerns regarding testing, please feel free to reach out to me at your convenience at 638-6127. Thank you as always for the continued support of Palmer Elementary students, staff and programming.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "A. Ewing", is written over the word "Sincerely,".

Alexander F. Ewing