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Olentangy students annually participate in districtwide and statewide testing. This information helps us assess the overall achievement of our students, schools, and the rigor of our curriculum. Standardized tests provide a yearly opportunity to take a snapshot of a student's performance as compared with the achievement levels of students across the district, state, and nation. However, the most important component of our assessment program is the daily assessment by our teachers, which provides authentic and extensive information about each student's current performance. Classroom achievement data and districtwide/statewide test data provide different, yet valuable, information to meet the needs of every student and improve our curriculum.

The 2022-2023 District Assessment Calendar can also be downloaded from the Olentangy Local School District's website. The schedule outlines the assessment windows, including make-up testing dates. Students are not tested every day within the test window. Our department reviews our testing regimen annually; therefore, you may notice a change in the tests we are giving our students. Any changes to the testing schedule will be communicated at the building level.

The Ohio's State Tests are Ohio's state-mandated assessments. They provide results that are reported on the Local Report Card for grades three through eight and select high school courses. Detailed information regarding the Ohio's State Tests is available on the Ohio Department of Education's website, education.ohio.gov/Topics/Testing.

Third grade students will take the English language arts assessment in October as part of the requirements of the Third Grade Reading Guarantee. TerraNova, a national norm-referenced test, is given at grades two, three and six. InView, a test of general school ability, is paired with the TerraNova at grades two, three, and six to meet the state requirement for gifted screening.

State and national tests are secure documents; therefore, students must understand the importance of test security and confidentiality. Please review the importance of confidentiality with your child prior to testing. The most common test security violation is students discussing test items with peers, teachers, and/or parents. Test security violations can result in invalid test scores and other consequences as outlined in the student handbook.

If you have questions about district testing, please contact your child's building principal, school counselor, classroom teacher, or me. Thank you for your continued support and partnership as we work together to facilitate maximum learning for every student.

Sincerely,

Tim A. Beard
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