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Dear Parents/Guardians:

Griswold Public Schools will administer its district-wide NWEA assessments from September 30 to October 30. NWEA MAP assessments, administered in grades K-10, provide teachers and parents with valuable information regarding student strengths and areas of instructional focus in both reading and math. For those of you with a child working remotely, the NWEA MAP assessment is web-based and accessible to students from home, on either their Griswold-issued device or your own personal device. This letter will provide parents and guardians with some basic guidelines and information to help make the testing process run smoothly from your homes.

Question: How do I prepare for test-taking day?

1. Check your internet connection to ensure your device is connected.
2. If you'd like, watch the NWEA Map Introduction Video(s) here:
 - a. [Map Test Warm-Up for K-2](#)
 - b. [Map Test Warm-Up for Grades 2+](#)
3. Watch [Device Readiness](#) video to ensure your device is ready for testing.

Question: What kind of environment is most suitable for testing?

1. A quiet testing environment
2. Minimal distractions for your child as much as possible
3. A suitable workspace (desk or table)
4. Adequate lighting
5. Availability of pencil and paper, if needed

Tips and tricks for encouraging a positive testing experience will be accessible on the district's website.

We hope that this experience is positive for both you and your child and we are here to support you in every way possible.

Please contact your child's teacher or building testing coordinator with further questions or concerns.

Feel free to contact our Instructional Specialists/Testing Coordinators below, should you have any questions:

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Thank you for your attention in this matter.

Sincerely yours,



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