Happy Friday Tiger Shark Families,

First, we would like to send thanks to our wonderful PTSA. They have showered us with gift bags, masks, lunches and desserts this week in celebration of Teacher Appreciation Week. We speak as one in acknowledging all the support the PTSA does for our staff and students every day. We truly appreciate your generosity.

**MAP Testing -** On Wednesday 19th and 26th, students in grades 6-8 will take the Measured Academic Progress (MAP) assessment. Your family will be able to choose either the 9:00 AM or the 1:00 PM testing session. **It is required that you have your HCPSS issued Chromebook for this test.** Please pick up the school-issued Chromebook from the school if you have not already done so.

The data from the MAP assessment will help schools and teachers measure your student's academic progress. The MAP test does not affect grades and the difficulty adjusts depending on how your child responds. It is normal for students to only answer about half the questions correctly. To learn more about the MAP assessment, please visit: <a href="https://www.nwea.org/the-map-suite/common-questions-families/">https://www.nwea.org/the-map-suite/common-questions-families/</a>

The reading test will be offered on May 19th. The math test will be offered on May 26th. If your child is unable to attend, makeup testing will be offered during asynchronous learning times. Teachers will share Google Meet information and your student's testing group as we get closer to the dates.

Please note the following exceptions for middle school testing:

- Students in 8th grade GT-ELA do not take the Reading Test
- Students taking HS level math classes(Alg1 or 2, Geometry or Statistics do not take the Math Test.

Wishing all our Tiger Shark Families a Happy Mother's Day on Sunday.

## **Important Dates:**

May 10-14 – School Spirit Week – Wacky - Tacky

May 10 – PTSA Restaurant Fundraiser – MOD Pizza

May 13 – Professional Day - School closed for students

May 19 – MAP Testing - Reading

May 20 – 7:00pm – PTSA Meeting

May 26 - MAP Testing - Math

May 31 – Memorial Day Holiday – Schools & Offices closed

June 9 – 8<sup>th</sup> grade celebration – more information to follow

June 10, 11, 14, 15 – 3 Hour Early Dismissal Days

June 11 – Last day of School for "B" day students

June 15 – Last day of School for "A" day students

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#### **PTSA News:**

Attached is the PTSA Newsletter for your viewing pleasure. The next meeting is Thursday, May 20<sup>th</sup>. Please come out and support the PTSA Restaurant Fundraiser at MOD Pizza on Monday, May 10<sup>th</sup>. Use coupon code GR181095W when ordering on line or in person. For more information, please see the attached flier.

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## In case you missed it.....

Safety first.... if you are dropping off or picking up your child during the morning or afternoon, please do not use the bus loop.

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# **Summer Camp**

### ATHOLTON BOOSTERS SUMMER SPORTS CAMPS ARE ON!!!

We are offering 16 sports camps including two new ones - boys and girls tennis and boys and girls track and field. We are taking registrations on our Athletic Boosters website now! Space is limited. Please spread the word.

https://atholtonboosters.org/summer-sports-camps/