



Tredyffrin/Easttown School District

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Dear Parents,

As in years past, K-4 students will be given benchmark assessments that are implemented to help us discern their strengths and learning needs, and provide us with guidance on the ways we should tailor our instruction. However, unlike years past, we will need to conduct these assessments virtually until further notice. While some of our normal benchmark assessments will remain in place because we are able to conduct them virtually, there are others such as the 4 Sight assessment in grades 3-4 that cannot be conducted due to the format and length of the assessment.

Nevertheless, in places where we could not include an assessment, we strived to replace it with one that students could take virtually and still maintain validity, while also providing the information we need to thoroughly instruct them. To that point, we ask that in support of this virtual assessment process, you would provide the type of learning environment that is conducive to concentration, minimizing as many noises and distractions as possible.

Your support is also appreciated as it pertains to the use of a device such as a laptop or iPad; however, we ask that you do not provide academic support during an assessment, as it will invalidate its results. Assessments will be administered virtually by a core teacher, reading paraprofessional, or reading specialist. Information about the types of assessments that will be conducted this year will be available on the [TESD Language Arts Assessment Overview](#) and [Elementary Benchmark](#) documents. I will be available to answer any questions you have related to the information contained in this letter. Thank you for your consideration, and we look forward to an awesome year of learning!

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