

March 7, 2017

Dear Parents,

In a couple of weeks your child will take a standardized achievement test, a tool to help measure his/her achievement during this school year. The test results will tell you how your child compares with others in the nation who are the same age and/or grade.

Standardized testing begins March 27 for Lower School students in Kindergarten through Grade 5. The test that will be given and the testing schedule are as follows:

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| Kindergarten: 3/27-3/30 | <i>Stanford Early School Achievement Test 2, 10th Edition</i> |
| 1 st Grade: 3/27-3/31 | <i>Primary 1, Stanford Achievement Test, 10th Edition</i> |
| 2 nd Grade: 3/27-3/31 | <i>Primary 2, Stanford Achievement Test, 10th Edition</i> |
| 3 rd Grade: 3/27-3/31 | <i>Primary 3, Stanford Achievement Test, 10th Edition</i> |
| 4 th Grade: 3/27-3/30 | <i>Intermediate 1, Stanford Achievement Test, 10th Edition</i> |
| 5 th Grade: 3/27-3/31 | <i>Intermediate 2, Stanford Achievement Test, 10th Edition</i> |

Actual testing time will be determined by the time that children need, but testing sessions for Grades 1-5 typically last about two hours each morning. All grades will have a brief practice test the week before testing begins.

The ways to help your child respond to the best of his/her ability include the following.

1. Ensure a full night's sleep.
2. Encourage breakfast.
3. Plan to arrive early. Children will not be admitted to class after 8:25.
4. Be positive and encouraging, protecting him/her from undue stress.
5. Pray with and for your child each morning.

Children are to dress in uniform throughout the week. NUT cards may not be used. Though everyone needs to be present, please don't send a child with fever. If illness occurs, please call the office so that make-up testing can be scheduled.

Thank you for your support of your child and the school during this vital phase of the instructional process. We look forward to sharing the results with you when they are returned from the scoring services at the end of the year.

Working with you for them,

Cindy Burnsed, Counselor

Ruth Ann Palmer, Principal