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Dear Parent or Guardian,

Proviso Township District 209 will administer placement tests to 8th grade students between Wednesday, November 3rd and Friday, November 12th. The assessment measures academic skills in Evidence-Based Reading and Writing and in Mathematics. The results from this test will be one of several tools used to help determine the student's placement in high school courses as well as in the selective enrollment admissions process for the Math and Science Academies at East, West, and PMSA. For more information about the admissions process, please see <u>www.pths209.org/domain/3421</u>.

You can help your child do his or her best on the test by:

- 1. Making sure, if possible, that your child attends school on the day of the testing.
- 2. Making sure your child gets a good night's sleep before testing.
- 3. Reminding your child to ask questions if he or she does not understand the test directions.

4. Letting your child know that you have confidence in his or her ability to do his or her best; and advising your child not to worry about the test, just do the best he or she can.

The Grade 8 Placement Test is modeled after the PSAT 8/9 exam but is not an official College Board assessment. You can see sample tests by visiting: <u>https://collegereadiness.collegeboard.org/psat-8-9/test-design.</u> If you have questions about the test, please contact your child's school.

We look forward to sharing the assessment results with your child's school later this year. Students who miss testing through their school, or who attend a private school, can sign up to take the test on one of the Saturday testing sessions listed below:

- Saturday, November 13, 2021
- Saturday, November 20, 2021
- Saturday, December 4, 2021
- Saturday, December 11, 2021
- Saturday, December 18, 2021 (Final PSAT8/9 & Naglieri Testing Date)

Further details will be provided to your student's school. If you have further questions regarding this test, you may contact Dr. Bessie Karvelas at BKarvelas@PTHS209.org. Sincerely,

James L. Henderson Ed.D Superintendent