



February 14, 2008

Re: ELP Assessment Testing

Dear Parents:

I am writing to inform you of a mandatory assessment (ELPA) that your child will take in April, this spring. The State of Michigan will conduct this annual administration of the statewide English Language Proficiency Assessment (ELPA). The ELPA will be administered by your child's school to all English language learners/ Limited English Proficient students in grade K-12. The administration dates are March – April, 2008.

Statewide administration of ELPA meets federal assessment requirements for English language learners (ELLs). This will be in compliance with No Child Left Behind (NCLB) legislation of 2001. The results of this ELP Assessment in conjunction with the other statewide assessments will help schools preparing teaching materials to meet your child's need.

Students will be tested in areas of English speaking, listening, reading, writing and comprehension. Proficiency levels are to include a basic, intermediate and proficient level for each grade level assessed. Assessments are to be based on English language proficiency standards.

If you have any more questions regarding this, please feel free to contact your school principal or me at (586) 228-3481.

Sincerely,

Su McKeithen-Polish, *MISD Bilingual Education Consultant/Title III Director*

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Dragi Parinti:

Vreau sa va informez despre un test care il va primi copilul dumneavoastra , in aceasta primavara, in April. Statul Michigan va avea prima administrare anuala al acestui test-ELPA (English Language Proficiency Assesment—Evaluarea Capacitatii De Limba Engleza). ELPA va fi administrat la toti studentii de limba engleza-de la gradinita pina la liceu. Testul se va da pe durata de: Martie-April, 2008.

Testul ELPA se administreaza pe intreg statul Michigan, respectind cerintele federale pentru studentii care invata limba engleza (ELLs). Aceasta se face in concordanta cu legislatia-NCLB (No Child Left Behind—Nici Un Copil Nu Ramine In Urma) din 2001.

Studentii vor fi examinati in urmatoarele subiecte ale limbii engleze: oral, audio, citit, scris si asimilare. Fiecare clasa (varsta) se evalueaza dupa trei niveluri de capacitate: essential, intermediar si expert. Evaluările sunt bazate dupa standardele de competenta ale limbii engleze.

Cu sinceritate,

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