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Dear Parents/Guardians,

CMS wants to congratulate all our families and students on a great start to the 2021-2022 school year. Like schools all across the country, CMS is gradually getting back to normal. A part of our return to normalcy is having students again participate in the federally mandated testing program. This year the testing program will include the Start Strong Assessment the first week in October and the New Jersey Student Learning Assessments (NJSLA) for English Language Arts, Mathematics and Science in May 2022.

The fall and spring assessments happen online and are designed to make the testing experience as efficient as possible for students. The Start Strong Assessment in October is especially brief with only one 60-minute language arts section, and one 60-minute math section in grades 4 - 8. There will also be one 60-minute science test for 6th grade students only. For the Start Strong assessment, students will be assessed on content from the previous grade level. The NJSLA test in the spring will assess student learning for the 2021-2022 school year. More information about fall testing can be found at <https://nj.mypearsonsupport.com/startStrong/>.

In addition to these annual assessments, CMS uses a number of commercial progress monitoring assessments in grades K-8 that include MAP testing in English language arts and math, as well as the Fountas and Pinnell reading comprehension and fluency assessment. Progress monitoring assessments happen in the fall, winter and spring and are an additional data point in our multiple measures approach to assessment. If you have any questions or concerns regarding CMS's assessment program, please email Mr. Lhulier at [llhulier@crestmem.edu](mailto:llhulier@crestmem.edu) or call 609-522-1522.

