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**OFFICE OF STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT**

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Dear Parent/Guardian:

The New Jersey State Assessments in Science for grades four and eight, known as the New Jersey Assessment of Skills and Knowledge (NJ ASK) are scheduled to be administered in the Spring, 2017. The schedule for each grade level is as follows:

- ❖ Grade 4 – May 31, 2017 (Make-up – June 7, 2017)
- ❖ Grade 8 – May 31, 2017 (Make-up – June 7, 2017)

We are providing you with the parent information booklet compiled by New Jersey's Department of Education. This booklet provides information that can be helpful to you as you discuss this assessment with your child. Please remember that one of the most important things you can do is to make sure your child gets a good night's sleep and a healthy breakfast prior to testing.

Please keep these dates in mind in planning for the end of the month. Although teachers have prepared your children for this assessment throughout the year, your support in ensuring that students are confident is equally important.

If you have any questions, do not hesitate to speak to your child's teacher.

Thank you for your continued support.

Sincerely,

*Joanne Decker*

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