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Dear Parent or Guardian,

With all of us working together to give our students the best possible school year, we would like to share some important information with you. As you may recall, the end-of-grade (EOG) and end-of-course (EOC) tests were canceled due to COVID-19 related school closures last spring. This was possible because education leaders at the U.S. Department of Education granted a waiver from these tests for the 2019–20 school year.

Recently, the U.S. Department of Education's Secretary of Education, Betsy DeVos, shared there will not be a waiver from testing for this school year. Students who are receiving instruction are expected to take the EOCs and EOGs. Our students who are receiving instruction remotely will go to their schools to take these tests. We understand that you may be concerned about the safety of your students when returning to the school building to take a test. To ensure this is a safe environment for our students, we will ensure health and safety requirements are in place.

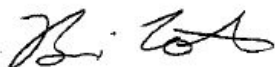
At Trinity High School, fully remote students will not be in the same testing rooms as face-to-face students. Students will be required to wear masks throughout the entire testing process, testing will be conducted in small groups with proper social distancing in place, and all computers and testing areas will be cleaned and sanitized between test sessions.

- As a parent/guardian, you have the right to have your student(s) wait until the end of spring semester (May/June 2021) to take his/her fall exams. Please know that this will require participation in remediation for those fall classes during the spring semester. The number of remediation sessions required will be determined at a later time. Also, the fall exams will be required to be taken during the same testing window as their spring exams. This window is during the months of May/June 2021.
- Any student that does not take his/her exams, for either the fall semester or spring semester, will receive a "0" for 25% of their final grade.

This school year is like no other, and it is especially important to have test scores that will show you how your student is doing academically. Test scores, combined with other factors, will help you and your student's teacher to make the best decisions for future learning.

We are committed to ensuring your student's and your family's health and safety. We also want to make sure we provide each student the opportunity to learn and grow academically during this school year. As always, we are available to answer any questions.

Sincerely,



Dr. Brian Toth, Principal