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Michelle Voto, ATC Development/Research

April 19, 2018

Dear Parents and Guardians,

This spring, students in the ConVal School District will participate in New Hampshire's Statewide Assessment System (SAS).

The State of New Hampshire requires these assessments to be administered to all students. At ConVal High School, Juniors will be taking the Science assessment from 9:00-11:00 a.m. on either May 1st or May 2nd.
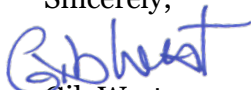
The Science assessment is computerized and replaces the New England Common Assessment Program (NECAP) which was administered in previous years. Along with student work on classroom assignments, projects, essays, and local assessments, the results will give teachers important information about where students are on their path toward academic success and what instructional changes may need to be made. However, results are only as meaningful as the effort that students put into the tests.

Please encourage your student to take the test seriously and give it his or her best effort. You can best help your student prepare by making sure that he or she is rested, has a good breakfast, and attends school on the days that the test will be given. Because the state requires every Junior to take this assessment, those students who are absent on the testing days will have to make it up at another time.

Thank you for supporting your student and our school in this undertaking. If you would like to learn more, the New Hampshire Department of Education's website contains resources specific to the New Hampshire Statewide Assessment System. This information can be found at https://www.education.nh.gov/instruction/assessment/index.htm.

Please feel free to contact us with any questions.

Sincerely,

Gib West