Hello 2nd Graders and Learning Coaches!

Next week we will be taking the NWEA assessment. The NWEA assessment is a computerized, adaptive assessment that is required of all MVCA students. The NWEA test (also known as the MAP test – these names are used interchangeably) will show us the level that your student is ready to learn at. We can then use this data to form groups that will help your children really soar this year! I will look at your student's score very closely. Their scores tell me if they need additional small group or one-on-one sessions in math or reading, so make sure they don't receive any help on the test!

# **On Testing Day:**

Students will be logged into the Class Connect session while taking this test. Note I set the start time for 30 minutes before the test actually starts just to make sure everyone is able to get in and is ready by the start time. You do NOT have to be 30 minutes early. This is our way of "live proctoring" the test. While this is not a timed test, the students will be doing the entire tests while in a live session with the teacher. If they need more time when the session is over, we can arrange that as needed.

Please remember you can NOT help or read any part of the test to your student. If he/she becomes frustrated tell him/her to make the best possible guess he/she can. This test is not for a grade, but for useful data for instruction.

# Before Testing Day: IF you did not attend our practice session-

In order to be sure testing goes as smoothly as possible, we need to be sure all computers are ready for the test. When proctoring the test, I will be hard for me to help with technical issues so I **HIGHLY** suggestion you ensure your computer is ready before Tuesday. I am more than happy to help before the test session.

- 1. Go to the testing site: <u>https://mvca-test.mapnwea.org/test</u>
- 2. Select "Test Warm Up"
- 3. Select MAP
- 4. Click on "Try some questions"
- 5. Complete ALL sample questions.

If you get the "Oops! Where's my test window?" screen, please do the following:

- 1. Watch the recording of our  $2^{nd}$  grade training from Friday, 1-16-15.
- 2. Check all other windows for the test. It opens up in a second window. Is the test minimized in another window?
- 3. Download the latest version of Mozilla Firefox: <u>https://www.mozilla.org/en-US/firefox/new/</u>
- 4. Turn off popup blockers: <u>https://support.mozilla.org/en-US/kb/pop-blocker-</u> settings-exceptions-troubleshooting
- 5. Once you allow popups for this site, try again.
- 6. Make sure you have the correct system requirements. View the attached document to be sure you have the correct screen resolution, browser version, and bandwidth.

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# Testing Schedule for 2nd Grade:

Monday Jan. 19	Tuesday Jan. 20	Wednesday Jan. 21	Thursday Jan. 22	Friday Jan. 23
NO SCHOOL	9am NWEA Math Test	10:30am NWEA Reading Test	1pm NWEA Reading 2 <sup>nd</sup> Chance	
	1pm NWEA a Math 2 <sup>nd</sup> Chance			

# You must attend 1 math and 1 reading session! Choose a time that works best for you.

### Make Ups-you MUST make arrangements with the teacher BEFORE the testing date!

Thank you to everyone who came to our NWEA session today! Please also visit our website <u>www.mvcagrade2.weebly.com</u> for additional help and preparing directions.

Please remember this test is required. Thanks for your help!