Plainfield Community Consolidated School District 202

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Dear Parents and Guardians,

All fifth, eighth and 9th grade school students took the Illinois Science Assessment (ISA) in March 2019. Students will bring home their individual student ISA reports during the week of November 18th, 2019.

The ISA aligns with the new <u>Illinois Learning Standards</u> in science. This assessment helps families understand how well students are performing academically. The ISA represents Illinois' commitment to preparing all students for college and careers, including in the high-demand science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) fields. The assessment also satisfies federal accountability requirements.

The results provide administrators with important data to help make broad curriculum decisions at the school and district levels. But classroom educators will not use the results to make teaching adjustments year-to-year for individual students.

We encourage you to talk with your children about their individual report, while communicating that the assessment yields only one piece of information. Student attendance, classroom work, homework, projects, performance on local tests, participation in sports and extracurricular activities, and contributions to the school's climate and culture all help them grow and learn.

We all work together to ensure our students build a cohesive understanding of science over time. Thank you for your role in developing lifelong learners and successful citizens. If you have any questions about your child's results, please reach out to the school administrator.

Yours in education,

Dr. Glenn Wood

Assistant Superintendent