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Dear Parents and Guardians:

Re: Upcoming EQAO Grade 9 Assessment of Mathematics

Between January 18, 2022 and January 20, 2023, our Grade 9 students at Pine Ridge will be taking part in the Education Quality and Accountability Office's (EQAO's) online Grade 9 Assessment of Mathematics. Students must be present in their class on the days of assessment to write the test online. The purpose of this assessment is to evaluate student learning of the knowledge and skills in the Grade 9 mathematics curriculum.

Students will complete the assessment in two online sessions (Session A and Session B), and each session will be completed in one sitting. The assessment will automatically adapt to the individual student's level of proficiency as the student progresses through each session. Students will also be presented with a questionnaire.

After the assessment sessions are complete, teachers will receive individual student results. The results may count toward up to 5% of a student's final course mark. It will be the student's choice to include or exclude the mark from the assessment into their final grade. Students with an IEP will be receiving a letter detailing their accommodations.

Testing Location & Time: In your math classroom on student Chromebooks

What to Expect - About the Test

| Before the Test | Receive information about test (i.e., this letter) | Complete a sample online testing session with your teacher | Expected time to complete |
|-----------------------------------|--|--|--------------------------------------|
| Wed. Jan 18th | Session A - online | 27 Questions | 50 Minutes with extra time if needed |
| Thurs. Jan 19th | Session B – online | 27 Questions | 50 Minutes with extra time if needed |
| After the test | Student Online Questionnaire | | |

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What's on The Test?

- Questions cover the entire range of topics covered within the course including:
- ❖ Number, Algebra, Data, Measurement and Geometry, and Financial Literacy

| What Will Be Provided? | What Should Students Bring? |
|---|---|
| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• An online calculator• An online assistive technology reader• An online version of their measurement formula sheet• Scrap paper for calculating• Whiteboards and markers | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Fully charged Student Chromebook• A handheld scientific calculator (non-programmable)• WIRED earbuds/headphone (NOTE: blue tooth earbuds/headphones are not allowed)• A few sharpened pencils |

Where can I get further information?

- Your teacher or Vice Principal in charge of the EQAO Math Test (Ms. J. Sims Jackson)
- The www.eqao.com website under student resources for gr.9 Math test

How can we prepare for it?

- Students can prepare by reviewing all materials and topics covered in the course so far
- The EQAO website also includes a sample online assessment, where students can get familiar with the online testing environment and the tools available. Here is the link to the practice test [Sample Online Assessment](#)

Sincerely,

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