May 2, 2016

Dear Parent/Guardian:

Last year, the Virginia Board of Education adopted a resolution allowing school divisions to administer expedited retakes of SOL tests to students in grades three through eight who fail an SOL test by a narrow margin.

Eligible students are those who have passed the class, but failed the test with a score of 375 to 399 or failed the test by any margin, but have an extenuating circumstance that would warrant retesting.

While this opportunity is available for any child who meets the criteria, it is not mandatory that your child take a retest. The decision for your child to retake tests is your decision and deciding not to retest will not impact your child's grade or academic record. If your child does take an expedited retake, his/her best performance results will be shown on score report charts.

Once testing begins and scores are available, schools will be making decisions on a daily basis about which students are eligible for retests and then scheduling those retests.

If it is determined that your child is eligible to retake an SOL test, you will be contacted by one of his or her teachers. In addition, a letter will be sent home for you to indicate whether or not you gave the school permission to retest.

Please call the school if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Jason Crutchfield
Principal

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School Testing Coordinator