



EOG/NCEXTEND1 MATHEMATICS—Delayed Scores

Dear Parent/Guardian:

The new mathematics North Carolina *Standard Course of Study and Extended Content Standards* adopted by the State Board of Education (SBE) in 2016 and 2017 are being taught for the first time this year in classrooms throughout North Carolina. As such, new Mathematics (*End-of-Grade (EOG)/NCEXTEND1*) tests aligned to these standards will be administered for the first time in spring 2019.

The first priority when implementing new tests is to ensure the results of the test scores are valid and reliable. When new tests are administered for the first time, student scores are delayed while the North Carolina Department of Public Instruction (NCDPI) processes the test data and completes all necessary analyses. These processes and analyses will take place during summer 2019. Due to the necessity of this critical process, in 2018–19 students will not receive their test scores at the completion of the test administration. Instead, the scores for these tests will be delayed until August 2019. With results from the new tests being delayed, schools will use the results from other available student information to assign final grades and/or make placement decisions. Once the SBE has approved the scores (achievement levels) in August 2019, schools will provide parents with each student's score and Individual Student Report.

We appreciate your understanding as we move into this next generation of tests and work toward providing the most accurate information possible concerning student performance on (*EOG/NCEXTEND1*) tests. If you have questions or concerns about the delay of your child's test scores, assignment of grades, or placement decisions, please contact your child's school.

Sincerely,

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