

# Mineral Springs School District



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## **NAEP 2022 PARENT/GUARDIAN NOTIFICATION LETTER Mathematics & Reading Assessments**

**January 11, 2022**

Dear Parent or Guardian:

Mineral Springs School District will participate in the National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP) on February 3, 2022. NAEP is the largest nationally representative and continuing assessment of what students know and can do in various subjects. NAEP is different from our state assessments because it is a common measure of achievement across the country. The assessment is administered by the National Center for Education Statistics, within the U.S. Department of Education. The results are released as The Nation's Report Card, which provides information about student achievement to educators, parents, policymakers, and the public.

Your child (will/may) take a mathematics or reading assessment. In addition to subject-area questions, students voluntarily complete NAEP survey questions. These questions provide valuable information about participating students' educational experiences and opportunities to learn both in and outside of the classroom. More information about NAEP survey questions is available at <https://nces.ed.gov/nationsreportcard/parents> under the section "What Questions Are on the Test?"

The assessment takes approximately 2 hours for most students, which includes transition time, directions, and completion of survey questions.

### **The information collected is used for statistical purposes only.**

- Your child's grades will not be affected.
- Students may be excused for any reason, are not required to complete the assessment, and may skip any question.
- While the assessment is voluntary, NAEP depends on student participation to help policymakers improve education. However, if you do not want your child to participate, please notify me in writing by January 21, 2022.

There is no need to study in preparation for NAEP, but please encourage your child to do their best. A brochure that explains what participation in NAEP means for you and your child is available at <http://nces.ed.gov/nationsreportcard/pdf/parents/2012469.pdf>. Contact Tammy Walker at 870-287-4746 ext. 244 or at [tammy.walker@msisd.net](mailto:tammy.walker@msisd.net) if you have any questions.

We are excited that our school is participating in NAEP. We are confident that our students will help show what our nation's students know and can do.

Sincerely,

Tammy Walker  
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