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Dear Parent/Guardian,

We want to thank you for your continued patience as we adapt our regular school practices and procedures to accommodate the many challenges presented by the pandemic. Parents, students and teachers have stepped up in heroic ways and we are starting to see a light at the end of the tunnel. We are diligently working on reopening schools for in-person instruction as early as April 13, 2021. We will be providing further information as plans are finalized.

As you may know, each year in the Spring, our district provides the California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress (CAASPP) statewide assessments in English language arts and math to students in grade 11. This week, the California State Board of Education took the first step to give districts the option of using the statewide assessments or district-selected assessments for the 2020-2021 school year. Central Union High School District has made the decision to continue to administer the California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress (CAASPP), and we are currently in the process of administration for all 11<sup>th</sup> grade students. We are also completing administration of other assessments such as the English Language Proficiency Assessment for California for all English Language Learners, and both the Advanced Placement (AP) and International Baccalaureate (IB) Assessments.

There are many ways to measure student learning, and the California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress (CAASPP) is only one of them. It is not meant to tell the whole story, but when combined with other factors, like report card grades other assessments, and teacher input, it will give families a more complete picture of their child's performance so that they can partner with teachers and school staff to accelerate learning in the months ahead.

We are committed to communicating early and often with you as we receive additional information.

Sincerely,

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