

## NAEP 2019 PARENT/GUARDIAN NOTIFICATION LETTER

## Grades 4 and 8 – Mathematics and reading assessments

## 2/20/2019

Dear Parent or Guardian:

Garden Place Academy will participate in the National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP) on February 27th, 2019. NAEP is the largest nationally representative and continuing assessment of what students know and can do in various subjects. NAEP is administered by the National Center for Education Statistics, within the U.S. Department of Education. NAEP is different from our state assessments because it is a common measure of achievement across the country. 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 take an assessment in mathematics or reading.

The assessment takes about 100 minutes for most students, including transition time and directions. The results are completely confidential (in accordance with the Confidential Information Protection provisions of Title V, Subtitle A, Public Law 107-347).

## 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 February 15<sup>th</sup>, 2019

There is no need to study in preparation for NAEP, but please encourage your child to do his or her 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 Matt Johnson at 720-424-7220 or at matthew\_johnson2@dpsk12.org if you have any questions.

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

Sincerely,

Andrea Renteria- Principal Matthew Johnson-Assistant Principal