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Dear Parent/Guardian:

In the spring of 2015, Timberlane Regional School District students in grades 3-8 and 11 participated in the Smarter Balanced Assessment, which replaced the NECAP (New England Common Assessment). Smarter Balanced is designed to measure students' proficiencies in Mathematics and English Language Arts. The Department of Education has made preliminary results available to Superintendents, and Districts are now charged with the task of training school administrators in the interpretation of reports, which look quite different from those provided through the NECAP. Teachers will have access to results on September 28, 2015 and will be trained by principals in their interpretation and use. The public release of school and district results is scheduled for November 12, 2015, and individual student reports to parents will be released shortly thereafter. Once reports have been made available, the Timberlane Regional School district will host informational meetings for parents to explain results and answer questions. We look forward to utilizing the information from the Smarter Balanced Assessment to inform our work in schools and to support students in the classroom.

You may direct any questions you have about this process or your child to your building principal.

Sincerely,

Dr. Earl Metzler
Superintendent of Schools