

Hello Online Families for Grades 4 and 7:

Attached is important information regarding the Foundation Skills Assessment. This is a Ministry assessment that is done every year with Grade 4 and 7 students. The assessment is looking at student proficiency in Literacy and Numeracy. The results of the FSA are not part of a child's report card, but are provided to parents so that you have an idea of how your child is doing in these areas. The information from the FSAs provides our school district with important information to help us adjust our teaching and learning experiences to ensure continued student success in literacy and numeracy.

Given that your child is currently in our Online Program, should you wish to have them participate in the FSA, you will need to administer the assessment at home. We would provide you with all of the information and walk you step by step through the process. The FSA typically takes about 3-4 hours to complete, but these hours can be broken up over several days to make it easier for you and your child.

Please read the attached FSA letter from our Superintendent, Karim Hachlaf, and the brochure from the Ministry of Education.

If you would like to have your child participate in the FSA and you are able to commit to supporting them to do this at home, please respond back to me by **October 5, 2020** with your child's name, grade and the name of their Online Teacher. We completely understand if this is not something that is a priority for you at this time, and if you would prefer that your child not participate. Please respond **only** if you would like to complete the assessment at home.

Kind regards,

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