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Dear Catholic School Families,

Beginning Monday, January 11th, students in Kindergarten through 8th Grade will participate in NWEA MAP Assessments! MAP Growth tests provide immediate and accurate information about student learning. Teachers can easily build upon the tremendous work they are currently engaged and more strategically respond to student learning needs. It is this personalized approach that has been a hallmark of our Catholic schools thus far and will continue for years to come.

As the MAP assessment is completely online, students can participate from wherever they are learning this winter, in-person or remotely. Our dedicated teachers will continue to serve as proctors while students work from their own device. Since the MAP Assessment is adaptive, all questions are tailored to each individual child. **A great benefit of this technology is that it offers school leaders and teachers timely information about the strengths and areas of growth for each individual child that will be used to differentiate instruction for students without delay.** For more information about MAP Growth, visit [NWEA.org/familytoolkit](https://www.nwea.org/familytoolkit).

We know you share in our excitement in making our winter administration of the MAP assessment a success! In the coming days, your child's Principal will be in contact to share school specific details as well as their schedule for MAP testing. **For your reference and information, we have prepared a brief video in both [English](#) and [Spanish](#) that offers an overview of MAP assessments and what to expect on test day.**

Sincerely,

Mr. Michael J. Deegan
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