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Dear Parents and Guardians of English Learners in Pleasanton Unified School District,

The State of California has developed a new test to measure English Language Proficiency called ELPAC which stands for English Learner Proficiency Assessment in California. This assessment replaces the CELDT (California English Language Development Test). The attached information gives an overview from the California Department of Education on the new assessments that will be used in our schools for English Learners.

Between February 5 and May 25, 2018, every English Learner will be tested in four different domains: Reading, Writing, Listening and Speaking. All English learners will be tested individually in Speaking. All English Learners in grades TK-1 will be tested individually in each of the four areas. English Learners in grades 2-12 will be tested in groups of 10-20 students for Listening, Reading and Writing. Students may be tested on the domains at different times during the testing window. Each school site has determined their own testing schedule. Altogether the test domains may take anywhere from 60-110 minutes to administer for each student. School staff has been trained in the administration of the ELPAC test.

Results from this test administration will be submitted to the California Department of Education for scoring and should be available to parents and districts within 8-10 weeks. We expect to receive all results prior to the beginning of the 2018-2019 school year. Over the past few weeks, staff at our schools have received various kinds of training about English Language Development, including how to administer this test and what to do with the results. Please contact the Assessment Department with any questions regarding the ELPAC in Pleasanton Unified School District.

Sincerely,

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