

Dear Parent(s)/Guardian(s):

The Missouri Assessment Program (MAP) End-of-Course assessments are required for the following courses: American Government, Biology, Algebra I, and English II. The Missouri Assessment Program is Missouri's evaluation program used to illustrate your student's progress toward mastery of the educational standards in Missouri.

There are four achievement levels:

- **Advanced** indicates a student performing at the Advanced level on the Missouri End-of-Course Assessment consistently demonstrating a thorough understanding of the skills and processes identified in the EOC's Course-Level Expectations.
- **Proficient** indicates a student performing at the Proficient level on the Missouri End-of-Course Assessment demonstrating an understanding of skills and processes identified in the EOC's Course-Level Expectations.
- **Basic** indicates a student performing at the Basic level on the Missouri End-of-Course Assessment demonstrating an incomplete understanding of the skills and processes identified in the EOC's Course-Level Expectations.
- **Below Basic** indicates a student performing at the Below Basic level on the Missouri End-of-Course Assessment demonstrating little understanding of the skills and processes identified in the EOC's Course-Level Expectation.

Your child's Individual Student Report includes an Achievement Level, which will describe his or her performance for the content area as Below Basic, Basic, Proficient, or Advanced. The Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE) publishes a Guide to Interpreting Results (GIR) that provides additional details about the content of the Individual Student Reports. The GIR for the Spring 2019 MAP EOC Assessments is available on the DESE website <https://dese.mo.gov/sites/default/files/asmt-eoc-gir-1819.pdf>.

Your child's Individual Student Report will be available to pick up from the High School Office. If you have any questions please feel free to contact me at [arwayr@polo.k12.mo.us](mailto:arwayr@polo.k12.mo.us) or 660-354-2524 ext.154 or Amy Walker at [walkeram@polo.k12.mo.us](mailto:walkeram@polo.k12.mo.us) or 660-354-2524 ext. 155.

Sincerely,

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