



Tehipite Middle School

Exists to empower and inspire all students in our community to reach their full academic, social emotional and physical potential

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Dear Parent or Guardian,

At the end of the last school year, Grades 3 through 8, and grade 11 students took the Smarter Balanced (SBAC) tests or the California Alternate Assessment (CAA) tests in English language arts/literacy (ELA) and mathematics. Students in grades 5, 8, and 11 also took a science test.

These tests are based on California's academic standards, which include the ability to write clearly, think critically, and solve problems, which are some of the skills students need to succeed in college and a career. The tests your child takes are meant to measure the most important skills in each subject.

Family and school partnerships are key to your child's success. In our district, the test results are just one way to look at how well our students are doing. It's natural for every student to have academic strengths as well as areas where they may need more support and improvement.

We use the results to find areas where students need help in the next school year. It is also important to know that the test results are not used to determine if a student moves to the next grade. I invite you to participate with us in supporting your child's continued academic growth.

If your child took the SBAC, you can access your child's score report in the ATLAS Parent Portal. CAA results will be reported in September. If you do not have access to the portal, please contact your child's school and the office manager will guide you in gaining access.

Please contact your child's teacher to discuss ways that you can support your child on their road to achieving their greatest potential!

Sincerely,

Additional Resource to find out more about your student's scores:

Starting Smarter Web site, <https://ca.startingsmarter.org> will provide information using score reports to better understand your child's strengths and areas of improvement. Then you can partner with teachers in the fall to co-create learning goals for the school year.

CAASPP Portal Web site, <https://caaspp.org> provides students and parents guest access to **Practice and Training tests**. Select "Sign In" as a Guest User and Guest Session to take a practice or training test with your child. Select your child's grade and choose a practice or training test SBAC ELA/Math, CAA ELA/Math, or science.

