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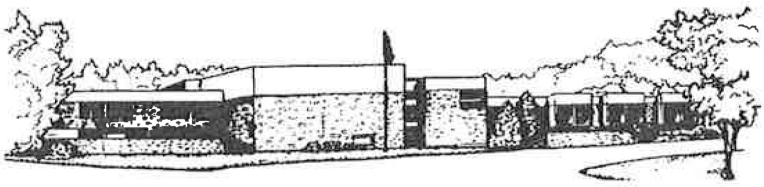

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Parents and Families:

The New York State Department of Education (NYSED) has applied for a waiver at the federal level to waive this year's state tests but no decision has been made at this time. Without a decision prior to the administration date NYSED has decided to modify this year's 3-8 exams. There will be only one session for the 3-8 Math and ELA exams and only the written component for grades 4 and 8 science tests. This is a change from the standard practice of requiring two sessions to complete each exam. **Also, any students who are fully remote will not be required to come into the building to take the exams**. Please note the following changes:

- **Only Session 1 (Multiple Choice)** of the grades 3-8 assessments in Math and ELA will be required, a shift from the standard practice where these assessments are administered in two sessions; and
- **Only the written test component of the Grades 4 and 8 Science Tests** will be held; the performance tests will not be administered.

Testing date are as follows:

- English Language Arts- April 20th and 21st
- Math- May 4th and 5th
- 4 and 8 Science- June 8th and 9th

Please consider these exams as an opportunity to practice good study habits, and a chance to demonstrate growth and knowledge. Therefore, all students in grades 3 through 8 in the hybrid model will have the opportunity to take the exams. Thank you for encouraging your child to try their best on these exams and for supporting AVCS. Please reach out with any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

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