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Dear Parents and Family Members,

Last spring, Rhode Island students participated in a new set of assessments in English and mathematics, the PARCC (Partnership for Assessment of Readiness for College and Careers). We recently released the statewide test results.

As your child did not participate in the 2015 PARCC assessments, we cannot provide you with an individual score report – but we can provide you with these reports, which have information about the overall performance of students in Rhode Island and across the PARCC consortium of states.

This is our first year of PARCC assessments, and we consider these results to be a starting point. We expect the results to improve in coming years, as students and teachers become more familiar with the test and with the grade-level learning expectations in English and mathematics.

PARCC results provide parents with one piece of information about the academic performance of their children. We believe the information in the individual score reports could help you and your child's teachers provide personalized instruction and support that could meet your child's learning needs. With that in mind, we hope you find these reports to be useful.

Sincerely,

Ken Wagner, Commissioner

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