Dear NTO Parents,

On Monday, February 10th, English I & English II learners will take a mock English STAAR exam in preparation for testing in April. The mock test will begin promptly at 8:30am & end by 1:30pm. The purpose of this is to assess learners’ strengths, weaknesses, & areas of growth so that we can continue to prepare our learners for their upcoming English EOCs. Freshman will take the English I STAAR while Sophomores will take the English II STAAR.

Since we will be operating under our testing schedule, learners will have lunch at around 1:30pm after testing concludes. Parents/guardians, here is how you can help:

- Please make sure that learners receive an adequate amount of rest.
- Learners should arrive to school by 8:15am.
- Learners should eat a healthy breakfast.
- Learners should take the exam serious & try their absolute best.
- Learners should know ahead of time what room to report to for testing. Test room rosters will be posted later this week.

With that being said, Monday, February 10th will be treated just as any exam day where learners’ phones will be collected prior to the administration of the exam. Apple/Smart watches & listening devices such as AirPods & earbuds will not be allowed. Although we will be testing for the majority of the day, learners must still bring their laptops & materials as they will be returning to regular classes (8th & 9th Period) after testing. Learners will be excused from any off-campus classes.

If you have any questions or concerns, you may contact the school by phone or email. Thank you for assisting with this & doing your part in order to help us better serve your learners.

In everything – Trust, Respect, & Responsibility,

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