Northridge Local Schools

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February 28th, 20224

Dear Northridge Elementary parents,

Re: NNAT3 testing, First and Fifth grade students

Early March, Northridge Elementary first and fifth grade students will be administered a test called the *Naglieri Nonverbal Ability Test Third Edition* (NNAT3).

- March 6th, March 7th First Grade
- March 13th Fifth Grade

The NNAT3 is a cognitive ability assessment that can provide teachers data in regards to a child's general thinking ability outside of their academic achievement. The NNAT3 is an approved assessment by the state of Ohio for gifted identification in superior cognitive ability. The purpose of the NNAT3 given to Northridge students is to meet the state mandate for gifted screening. It is important to note that the state of Ohio mandates gifted screening once in the grade band k-2 and once again in grade band 3-5. The state of Ohio does not mandate schools provide gifted services to identified students, but Northridge administration and teachers use this data to identify gifted students and plan for programming and placement to best meet their needs.

The NNAT3 is a very short test that is group administered and that students will complete in approximately 30 minutes. It is very important for your child to be present the day of the test. There is not any preparation your child needs to do to prepare for this test. This letter is being sent home so that you can note this date on your calendar and avoid making appointments for your child that would cause him/her to miss taking the test.

Results of the test will be mailed home to families no later than 30 days after the testing is completed.

Sincerely,

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