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Dear Parents:

As part of an ongoing system of reviewing student data to identify students who may be gifted and in need of specially designed instruction, Penn Manor School District will be administering the *Naglieri Nonverbal Ability Test-Third Version (NNAT-3)* to all third grade classes. The *NNAT-3* is a multiple-choice assessment that measures a student's general ability using geometric designs and puzzles. Administration of the *NNAT-3* will take approximately 30-40 minutes and will occur during the week of October 4.

The results of this assessment will serve as one of multiple components in determining whether a student may be referred for the gifted evaluation process. This assessment will have no impact on classroom grades and is used solely as a screening tool. If the results of the *NNAT-3* along with performance on curriculum-based measures indicate that your child has potential gifted ability, you will receive additional information regarding the evaluation process. If your child has already been identified as a student of gifted ability, the results of this assessment will simply be used to further inform your child's programming.

There is nothing you need to do to prepare your child for this assessment. Students will be provided with the opportunity to complete practice questions to get an idea of what the questions will be like prior to the start of the assessment. If your child is absent during the date of assessment, a makeup session will be coordinated with the classroom teacher. If you have questions about this assessment or the gifted referral process, please contact me at (717) 872-9500 ext. 2244 or peggy.anastasio@pennmanor.net. If you would like to know your child's score on the *NNAT-3*, please contact your child's building principal after November 15 when individual scores will be available.

Sincerely,



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