

Ware Junior Senior High School

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2017 BIOLOGY MCAS ADMINISTRATION

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Dear Parent/Guardian:

The purpose of this letter is to inform you of upcoming MCAS Biology testing dates. Please note that the dates for the first semester administration of the Biology MCAS exams are Monday, February 6th, and Tuesday, February 7th. Due to the highly-structured nature of the MCAS, we do not have the ability to choose alternative testing dates.

During the testing window, perfect attendance and punctuality are essential. Students should receive plenty of rest prior to testing, and are encouraged to leave their cell phones and other electronic devices at home. If students brings phones and electronic devices to school, they will be collected at the classroom door, labeled, and returned at the end of the testing session in order to ensure that the testing environment is secure and in compliance with the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education's guidelines. Students will be provided with a free hot breakfast on both testing dates. Testing will begin promptly after homeroom.

Please do not hesitate to contact the school should you have any questions or concerns regarding the upcoming Biology MCAS assessment, and feel free to visit the Department's website at http://www.doe.mass.edu/mcas/ for additional information.

I am confident that our students are well-prepared for the assessment, and I thank you in advance for your assistance.

Sincerely,

Darren C. Elwell

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Principal

Ware Junior Senior High School Mission Statement

Ware Junior Senior High School provides a safe, supportive environment of high expectations and mutual respect in which students are able to achieve academic success and develop into responsible, self-sufficient participants in a global society.