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Dear Sixth Grade Parents/Guardians,

I am writing this letter to notify you that all sixth grade students at HBW middle school will have an opportunity to take the an Algebra Readiness Test on Wednesday, May 21, and Thursday, May 22. Every sixth grade math student will have the opportunity to take this aptitude test, regardless of his or her current math placement. *Please note that this test will not count as a grade in their current mathematics class.*

The Algebra Readiness Test is a powerful predictor of future success in Algebra 1. It focuses on the following areas:

- **Pre-Algebraic Number Skills and Concepts**
  - Demonstrating computational facility and problem solving skills
- **Interpreting Mathematical Information**
  - Understanding new material presented in graphs and text
- **Representing Relationships**
  - Finding formulas for numerical relationships
- **Using Symbols**
  - Understanding the nature and use of symbols

This test, along with student progress such as marking period grades in Math 6 or Math 6 Above and a Student Characteristics Checklist/Rubric will determine which students will be eligible to take Algebra 1 in seventh grade for the 2014-15 school year.

If you have any questions, please feel free to email or call me. Thank you and enjoy your weekend!

Sincerely,

Charlie Miller