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Millburn Public Schools

INFORMATION ITEM

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To: Board of Education Members

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Subject: ISAT Testing and Joint Staff Development

ISAT assessments were completed on Friday, March 12, when the last of the make-ups were finished. The Reading assessment consisted of three sessions with five sections in total. The Math assessment consists of six three sessions with six sections in total. The Science assessment consisted two sessions, while writing has one session in third and fifth grade. Writing consisted of two sessions in sixth and eighth grade. The teachers reported that the students worked diligently on the tests though on some days they were more tired than on others.

Another piece of news is that Millburn District will be participating in a joint staff development activity next year in October. The focus will be on instruction that works in the classroom. Four districts will be participating: Millburn, Emmons, Grass Lake, and Antioch High School District. We are particularly excited that instruction that works will be shared and learned. Another benefit will be the development of a peer resource pool for ideas and experiences.