

Sample letter to parents/guardians

Pan-Canadian Assessment Program (PCAP) 2023

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Your child's class has been randomly selected to participate in the Pan-Canadian Assessment Program (PCAP), an assessment of the knowledge and skills of Grade 8 students across Canada in the core subjects of science, reading, and mathematics.

Your child's participation in this project will not affect their grades or progress in school, and the results will not be reported for individual students or schools. Students will respond to questions in science, reading, and mathematics and will fill out a short questionnaire. The assessment will take place at school during regular school hours on **[insert school's test date]**.

Participating in assessments like PCAP ensures that we, including parents/guardians and citizens more broadly, stay informed about how Canadian students are performing in comparison with their peers across Canada. Moreover, through the latest provincial, pan-Canadian, and international results of this and other assessments, we can improve the teaching and learning of science, reading, and mathematics in our province.

Please find enclosed a brochure, which provides an overview of the assessment.

More information on this project is available at: [https://www.cmec.ca/240/Pan-Canadian-Assessment-Program-\(PCAP\).html](https://www.cmec.ca/240/Pan-Canadian-Assessment-Program-(PCAP).html).

We appreciate your child's participation and thank you for your support as we work to enhance the learning experience of our young students across Canada!

Sincerely,