

# RILEY ELEMENTARY

## LETTER FROM THE PRINCIPAL

November 30, 2016

This week's theme: Test Results!



Dear Families,

We recently took a math test in all grades. The test shows how much our students have learned since the beginning of the year. It also helps teachers know how to help students moving forward. We take these tests in language arts, math, and science every few weeks to make sure we are on track with our improvement.

At the end of last school year, 22% of all our students passed the end-of-level math test. After this last math test, **37%** of our students are proficient! This is a good sign! This shows that more students are passing math tests now than they were last May. We are headed in the right direction.

How can you help? It depends on the grade level, but it is helpful for parents to keep in close communication with teachers. At yesterday's family night, data were shared with parents so you know how our grade levels and how our school is doing. Grade levels then shared materials and activities that can help your child with key math concepts at home. Another way to help is by ensuring that your child has a specific homework time and space. Their math homework should be something they can do mostly on their own. If this is not the case, and if you need to provide a lot of help, please notify your child's teacher so the homework can be modified.

Come and see our math data wall showing you how each grade level did on this last math test and which students made it into the 60% and 70% clubs!

We will keep you posted on our progress all year long. You should receive regular information from your child's teacher about how your child is performing on math tests or check-ins throughout the year. Thanks for your continued support. If you have any questions, please let us know by calling 801-974-8310.

Sincerely,

Dr. Martin, Principal