OCSD – Cancellation of State Testing and Impact on Student Promotion

- **Grade 3 Promotion:**
  Generally, the Grade 3 ELA FSA is a key component districts use to make promotion decisions. Since this data will not be available due to the cancellation of statewide assessments for the 2019-2020 school year, promotion decisions should be made in consultation with parents, teachers, and school leaders based on the students’ classroom performance and progress monitoring data. No additional MAP testing will be administered this school year.

- **Current Seniors:**
  If a senior is expected to graduate in spring 2020 and has not met the exit criteria for Algebra I EOC and/or Grade 10 ELA FSA, or earned a concordant score, this requirement will be waived. However, students still must earn the necessary credits and meet the GPA requirements to graduate.

- **Non-Seniors and End-of-Course Tests (EOC):**
  The Florida Department of Education is waiving the requirement for non-senior students who are currently enrolled in a course that requires an EOC to take the associated EOC. However, non-seniors who have yet to pass the Grade 10 FSA ELA must still meet the exit criteria by passing that assessment during a future administration or earning a concordant score. Though non-senior students enrolled in the EOC course of Algebra 1 are not required to take the Algebra 1 EOC, they must still meet the mathematics assessment graduation requirement by either passing the Algebra 1 EOC (offered four times each year) during a future administration, earning a concordant score, or passing the Geometry EOC during a future administration.

- **30% for final grade:**
  For students currently enrolled in courses that include a statewide EOC to be factored into the student’s grade, this requirement will be waived.

- **Will parents have the ability to request retention of their child in the current grade for the 2020-2021 year?**
  Yes, if parents, teachers and school leaders determine it is in the best interest of the student, retention may be requested. Parents play an important role in planning for their students’ education. Promotion decisions should be made in consultation with parents, teachers, and school leaders based on the students’ classroom performance and progress monitoring data.