Good evening Montgomery parents,

Beginning with the 2016-2017 school year, the DeKalb County School District (DCSD) will utilize the Northwest Evaluation Association Measures of Academic Performance (MAP) as the initial assessment towards gifted identification for students in grades K-10.  Students who score >90% RT (Reading Total) **or** >90% MT (Math Total) on the nationally norm-referenced assessment (MAP) will take additional gifted formal evaluations.  Although the MAP assessment is administered three times per year, the gifted eligibility window is August-September for currently enrolled students.  Specifically, students will be assessed August 15 - September 13, 2016.  Students at Montgomery will begin testing tomorrow, August 18th.

If you have any questions about the MAP assessment, contact the Research, Assessments, and Grants Department at (678) 676-0300.  For gifted eligibility questions, please contact the Gifted Department at (678) 676-0715.  For general questions related to MAP testing, please contact Mr. Butler, Assistant Principal and Testing Coordinator at (678) 676-7502.

**Sincerely,

Lori M. Bolds**