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Dear Parents/Guardians,

The Ontario Secondary School Literacy Test (OSSLT) measures whether or not students are meeting the minimum standard for literacy across all subjects up to the end of Grade 9. Successful completion of the literacy test is one of the requirements to earn an Ontario Secondary School Diploma. Students in grade 10 will have the opportunity to take this test on Thursday, March 30, 2017.

Last June, all grade 9 students participated in a practice literacy test. Specific feedback was given to students and parents regarding the reading and writing components of the practice test. Should you be concerned about your child's literacy skills based on those results, or based on your child's level of literacy as expressed by his/her teachers, we recommend the following program.

In February we will be starting after school literacy classes for students who need extra instruction and support to develop their level of literacy and prepare for this test. These classes are free of charge and are available to students in grades 9 through 11. Classes will take place here at St. John Catholic High School on Wednesdays, beginning February 8th. Classes will run from 3:15 to 5:00. Late busses will leave the school at 5:10. Spaces are limited to fifteen students per night and pre-registration is required. Once students are registered, attendance is mandatory. All materials for the literacy program will be provided. Please see the attached schedule for further details.

Should you feel that your son/daughter would benefit from this program, please fill in the registration form attached and return it to the main office by February 5, 2017. If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Tammy Peckham or myself.

Sincerely,

Mr. John Healey
Principal

After School Literacy Program: Additional Information

After School Program – Daily Procedures

3:00 – final school bell rings
3:00 – 3:15 break
3:15 – 5:00 instructional time
5:10 – late busses depart

After School Program – Schedule

Wednesday, February 8, 2017
Wednesday, February 15, 2017
Wednesday, February 22, 2017
Wednesday, March 1, 2017
Wednesday, March 8, 2017
Wednesday, March 22, 2017
Wednesday, March 29, 2017

In the event of a snow day, the after school literacy program will be cancelled.

If your son/daughter will be absent from the after school program, please notify the main office.

Please keep this form at home for parent reference.

**After School Literacy Program
Registration Form**

Student's Name: _____

This student is allergic to:

This student has the following medical concerns:

Indicate name of parent/guardian to be contacted if student does not attend the after school program:

Indicate phone number of parent/guardian to be contacted if student does not attend the after school program:

I _____ give permission for _____ to
(print name of parent/guardian) (print name of student)

attend the after school literacy program.

(signature of parent/guardian)

*Please return this form to the main office
at St. John Catholic High School*