## LEHI ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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Spring 2014 Summative Testing Results:

Dear Families:

In the spring of 2014, your student took one or more of the SAGE tests in grades 3-6 in English language arts, mathematics, and science. These tests were designed to measure their knowledge and skills on the Utah Core Standards. These standards reflect the expectations for what students should know and be able to do by the end of grade or course and be on track for college and career readiness after graduation.

Along with the Utah Core Standards, educators have also established proficiency levels on the tests. Proficiency levels determine a "passing score" for the test. These passing scores have been set to identify the level of preparation for the next grade or course on track for college and career. Proficiency levels are divided into four categories: Highly proficient, Proficient, Approaching Proficient, and Below Proficient.

The passing score for SAGE is more challenging than in prior tests, and it is anticipated that many students may receive lower scores than they did in the past, and that fewer students will be proficient. This is not a reflection of decreased student achievement, rather, it reflects an increase in expectations. It is important to remember that SAGE results are one of many student performance indicators.

The school received the test results on October 20<sup>th</sup> and they were presented to the faculty on the 27<sup>th</sup>. I will be available to explain the new reports and interpretive guides will be provided on or after November 3<sup>rd</sup>. Individual student scores will be available on skyward on November 10<sup>th</sup>.

We are dedicated to working with you in an effort to increase understanding of the new score reports and providing clarifying information. Along with your teacher, you can work together using this data to improve your child's post high school success. If your student is not yet proficient on one or more of the SAGE assessments, please talk to his or her teacher about the plan to get them there.

Lehi Elementary is a great school and we look forward to working with you and our Community Council to continue its great tradition of academic excellence. We have the best teachers and staff doing the right things to support student learning and to help each child be prepared for the next level as they grow to be contributing members of our community.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Thank you,

Joel V. Miller Principal

Learning at High Levels for all Students