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Dear Parent/Guardian:

Your child is currently enrolled in Algebra I in grade 8. Due to changes in testing and placement, we are informing you that students in this course whose first or second marking period grade is less than 80% will move to Introduction to Algebra. Although the course title is the same title as last year's math class, the textbook is not. Waiting an additional year to enter Algebra will provide your child with the opportunity to reinforce concepts learned this year and to learn at an appropriate pace.

All students enrolled in Algebra I take the Algebra I NJSLA which is a state high school graduation requirement for mathematics. Changing the math level at this time will allow your child to take the 8<sup>th</sup> Grade NJSLA this year and provide your child with additional instruction prior to taking the Algebra I Assessment next year.

In addition, all students who pass Algebra I in 8<sup>th</sup> grade must take Geometry or Honors Geometry when they enter 9<sup>th</sup> grade at Freehold Regional High School District.

The goal is for your child to reach his/her potential in 8<sup>th</sup> grade mathematics by ensuring enrollment in the most appropriate course.

Sincerely,

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