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Dear Parents / Guardians of FCHS Biology Students;

It's hard to believe that we are nearing the end of the school year! A biology class would not be complete without the "dreaded SOL tests". Fortunately, no student has to feel unprepared for this test.

As a team of concerned biology teachers, we have devised yet another way for your child to have yet another opportunity to prepare for their Biology SOL test. We have divided this year's topics into different categories, which are being reviewed separately every Monday. Your child has been provided with detailed information about these study sessions and given the opportunity to "sign-up" for the areas in which they feel they need help.

A specially prepared 45-minute session will held afterschool each Monday from March 9th through May 4th. The session times are carefully coordinated to maximize students' availability for resources. Since other disciplines are conducting review sessions during the same time periods; **biology students must sign up** to attend each specific session. Please remember that your signature is your commitment to be at a session from 2:15pm until 3:00pm.

A schedule has been announced and posted in each classroom and students are encouraged to "sign-up"; *on or before* 11:30am each Monday for that desired session. Teachers are reminding students to sign-up AND attend these sessions. This plan allows students the benefit of experiencing other teachers' "styles of lesson delivery" as well as sharing the learning experience with friends that may not be in their "regular" biology class.

On the back of this sheet is the full schedule of Biology Review Sessions; you are receiving this letter because your teacher strongly believes that you will benefit from the additional review, prior to taking the Standards of Learning Test.

Contact your child's Biology teacher,
science department chairperson, or
administrator for more details.

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Helpful Resource web links:

<http://www.pen.k12.va.us/VDOE/Instruction/Science/ScienceCF-BIO.doc>

Practice Tests – Online! - Take the "EOC Biology" Practice Test. It is based on the Released items from several VA-SOL Tests.... Looks-like to the "real Test" that you will be taking soon!

http://etest.ncs.com/Customers/Virginia/pat_home.htm

Check it out!!!!