

Dear Parent/ Guardian:

Our Spring Georgia Milestones Assessment System testing window opens soon, and we are making final preparations for a successful testing season. The Georgia Milestones Assessment System is a comprehensive assessment system spanning grades 3 through high school. Students in grades 3 through 8 will take End-of-Grade (EOG) assessments in English/Language Arts, Mathematics, Science and Social Studies.

Georgia Milestones is an online assessment designed to measure and provide information about how well students are mastering the state adopted content standards in the four core content areas. Importantly, Georgia Milestones is designed to provide students with critical information about their own achievement and readiness for their next level of learning.

Georgia Milestones includes the following features:

Content Area and Number of Sections	Selected Response	Constructed Response (2 points)	Extended Constructed Response (4 points)	Extended Writing Response (7 points)	Technology Enhanced (Evidence Based/Multiple Part Items) (2 points)
English Language Arts (ELA) (3 sections)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Mathematics (2 sections)	✓	✓	✓		✓
Science (2 sections)	✓				✓
Social Studies (2 sections)	✓				✓

The information below is provided to assist you and your student in becoming familiar with the features of online testing.

A website, called Experience Online Testing Georgia, has been established to provide an opportunity for students to become familiar with the online testing platform. The website can be found at the link <http://www.gaexperienceonline.com/> and can be accessed at home. Experience Online Testing Georgia is available 7 days a week and does not require a log-in. It is intended to allow students to familiarize themselves with the online platform prior to testing.

We ask that you make every effort to ensure that your student gets a good night's rest and arrives at school on time each day for testing. The EOG tests will be administered based on the following schedule.

Elementary School	Middle School
<u>Spring Window: April 15-30, 2019</u> April 15 – Grades 3&5 ELA section 1 April 16 – Grades 3&5 ELA sections 2&3 April 17 – Grades 3&5 Math section 1 April 18 – Grades 3&5 Math section 2 April 19 – Grade 5 Science April 22 – Grade 5 Social Studies April 23 – Grade 4 ELA section 1 April 24 – Grade 4 ELA sections 2&3 April 25 – Grade 4 Math section 1 April 26 – Grade 4 Math section 2 April 29 – Make-up	<u>Spring Window: April 10-30, 2019</u> April 10 – Grade 6 ELA section 1 April 11 – Grade 6 ELA sections 2&3 April 12 – Grade 6 Math April 16 – Grade 7 ELA section 1 April 17 – Grade 7 ELA sections 2&3 April 18 – Grade 7 Math April 22 – Grade 8 ELA section 1 April 23 – Grade 8 ELA sections 2&3 April 24 – Grade 8 Social Studies April 25 – Grade 8 Math April 26 – Grade 8 Science April 29-30– Make-up

Forsyth County School System provides many measures of test security, which include providing extensive training for school-level testing coordinators, limiting access to test materials and system-level administrative oversight on test days.

As a reminder, the Georgia Department of Education does not allow students to have electronic devices (phones, smart watches, fit bits, etc.) during state testing. Please pay attention to your school's plan to meet this requirement.

For questions or concerns regarding test administration or test security, please contact your child's school administration or Forsyth County Schools' Assessment Division at 770-887-2461.

Thank you for your cooperation during testing.