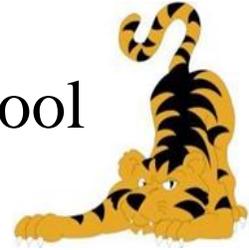


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March 18, 2021

Dear Parent or Guardian:

The purpose of this letter is to inform you that Georgia Milestones End of Grade (EOG) state testing in Georgia has **not** been waived this year, and the Clayton County Public School District is required to offer the assessments and test as many students as possible to all students in grades 3 through 8.

The Clayton County Public Schools EOG window for elementary students is April 28, 2021 - May 21, 2021. Please see the bottom of this letter for the specific dates of testing for your child's grade level. The Georgia Milestones EOG assessments **test cannot be given remotely and must be given in a face-to-face environment.**

However, State Superintendent Woods announced in March that he wants to ensure that no virtual students are required to attend school solely to test if they do not feel comfortable due to the COVID-19 Pandemic. With that said, Clayton County Public Schools values the purpose of testing. They are:

- The Milestones Assessment is a metric used to gauge learning.
- The Milestones Assessment helps pinpoint areas for improvement.
- The Milestones Assessment can help schools evaluate progress.
- The Milestones Assessment can help the school system plan for and provide resources.

If you have selected for your child to return to face to face instruction, please have your child at school on time daily.

If you have selected for your child to continue with *at-home remote learning*, but you want your child to participate in the Georgia Milestones Assessments, you will need to:

1. register each of your children coming into the school to test using this [link](#) no later than April 2, 2021.
2. request transportation **if needed**, on the registration link above so the school knows.

3. have your child report to the school site at 7:45 a.m. on his/her designated day(s) of testing per the schedule at the end of this letter.

If you would like to decline testing for your child, please complete this form by April 2, 2021: [Decline Testing Form.](#)

Transportation Information for Virtual Learners

Elementary grade students who are virtual, and will come to the school for testing will follow the testing schedule for their grade level on the day(s) of testing. Students who need transportation for testing will use the regular bus route for their home address, and **will need to remain at the school for the entire school day, 7:45 am to 2:15 pm, to receive a bus ride home.** Transportation information can be found here: [WebQuery for Transportation.](#)

This chart shows the required Georgia Milestones End of Grade (EOG) assessments, in accordance with Georgia law (O.C.G.A §202-281) and (SBOE) Rule.

2020-2021 GMAS Required Tests by Subject			
Georgia Milestones	ELA	Mathematics	Science
End of Grade	Grades 3-5	Grades 3-5	Grades 5

Important Information:

- Transportation will be provided to students who need or desire transportation for testing.
- Students must wear a mask and sit in their assigned seat on the bus.
- Breakfast and Lunch will be provided for students.
- **Students must bring their fully charged District issued Chromebook or laptop to test.**
- **Students need to provide updated contact information to the school upon arrival.**

The following safety precautions will be followed while students are on the bus and while on the school campus:

- Masks must be worn at all times by all persons (students and staff) while on the bus and on campus.

- Temperature checks will occur before students are allowed to enter the building.
- Social distancing of 6 feet between all persons at all times.
- Frequent hand washing and sanitizer will be used.
- For more information, please visit this website for the Centers for Disease Control at <https://www.cdc.gov/>.

If your child has tested or been exposed to COVID 19, or has any of the following symptoms, do not send your child to school:

- Fever (100.4 degrees Fahrenheit, 37.8 degrees Celsius or higher)
- Cough
- Sore throat
- Runny nose
- Body aches
- Headaches
- Shortness of breath
- Feeling tired
- Abdominal pain
- Diarrhea
- Loss of taste or smell
- Red eyes

If your child enters the testing site with any of these symptoms they will need to return home immediately.

Sincerely,

Maurice Roberts