

## **CONYERS MIDDLE SCHOOL**

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April 24, 2024

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Beginning on April 30, 2024, students in Grades 6-8 will join other middle school students district wide in taking the Georgia Milestones End-of-Grade Assessment. Although student performance is measured year-round by teachers, this test is a standardized measure for students to demonstrate their mastery of core academic subjects through established criteria set by the Georgia Department of Education.

Information provided by these assessments include:

- establishing individual student achievement levels.
- assessing strengths and weaknesses of individuals and programs.
- determining student academic growth.
- guiding us as we plan for overall school improvement.

Eighth graders will be tested in four content areas: English/language arts, mathematics, social studies and science. Sixth and Seventh graders will be tested in English/language arts and mathematics. Each content area assessment has two or three sections ranging from 35-90 minutes depending on the content and section. Testing will begin each day by 9:00 AM.

GA Milestones (Grades 6-8)		
SUBJECT AREA	DAY OF THE WEEK	DATE
ELA, Section 1 (Writing)	Tuesday	April 30, 2024
ELA, Sections 2 and 3	Wednesday	May 1, 2024
Social Studies (8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Only)	Thursday	May 2, 2024
Enhanced Algebra, Sections 1 and 2 (8 <sup>th</sup> Grade)	Monday	May 6, 2024
Math, Sections 1 and 2	Tuesday	May 7, 2024
Science, Sections 1 and 2	Wednesday	May 8, 2024

Georgia Milestones Assessments are required by the State of Georgia.

Health and safety remain a top priority in Rockdale County Public Schools. RCPS takes seriously the safety and well-being of our students, families, and staff. We



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will implement a number of rules and safeguards in order to safely administer End-of-Grade and End-of-Course testing during the 2023-24 school year.

We ask that you assist us in preparing your child for testing by adhering to the following guidelines:

- Maintain your child's normal schedule, including adequate rest, nourishing meals, and time for relaxation and play.
- Discuss with your child the importance of doing his/her best.
- Refrain from taking your child out of school during the testing sessions.
- Be sure your child arrives at school on time during testing days.
- Express confidence in your child's ability to do well.
- Please consider having your student leave their cellphone at home.
- If your student has lost their laptop charger, please consider paying the \$10 for a replacement charger.

If you have any questions regarding testing, please contact Ms. Seneathia Lewis at <u>slewis@rockdale.k12.ga.us</u> or (770) 483-3371 ext 23113. Thank you for your continued support with the Georgia Milestones Assessment program.

Sincerely,

Ms. Seneathia Lewis, Assistant Principal School Testing Coordinator