



# Homewood Middle School

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Dear Parents/Guardians,

Homewood Middle School will be administering the Alabama Comprehensive Assessment Program (ACAP) standardized test during the window of April 8 - April 30, 2021. Our 6th and 8th grade students will participate in the ACAP English Language Arts, Math, and Science tests. Our 7th grade students will participate in the ACAP English Language Arts and Math tests. All students will take a Text Dependent Writing (TDW) portion of the ELA test on a separate day.

The specific grade-level testing schedule is as follows:

**6th Grade: Thursday 4/8, Friday 4/9, Monday 4/12, and Tuesday 4/13**

**7th Grade: Wednesday 4/14, Thursday 4/15, Monday 4/19**

**8th Grade: Tuesday 4/20, Wednesday 4/21, Thursday 4/22, Friday 4/23**

**Make-up Testing: Monday-Friday, 4/26-4/30**

It is important that we have all students present for each part of the ACAP. Please ensure that your child arrives at school on time. We will begin testing promptly at 8:15am each morning. Please contact the school at 205-870-0878 if your student will be absent or late.

*As a reminder, the Alabama State Department of Education requires all virtual students to be on campus to take the ACAP during their grade-level testing days. More information has been provided to parents of virtual students.*

The Alabama State Department of Education's rule on student devices states that no student may have a cell phone, GPS, camera, AirPods, etc. (this includes Fitbits, Gizmos, smartwatches, and tablets). All of these devices must remain at home or in the student's backpack outside of the classroom during testing. If such a device is found in the possession of a student during an assessment, the device will be confiscated and the student's assessment will be ruled invalid and not scored.

Helpful Tips:

- Have your child go to bed early to get a good night's rest.
- Make sure your child has a healthy breakfast in the morning. Students are always invited to eat breakfast at no cost in our cafeteria from 7:15-7:45 each morning.
- Remind your child to dress in comfortable clothes and bring a light jacket.
- Keep your child's daily routine as consistent as possible (Remember: glasses, medications, etc.)
- Encourage your child to try their best on each test- we are confident our students will do great on the ACAP!

Sincerely,

Mindy McBride  
Assistant Principal

If you have further questions regarding ACAP testing, you may contact any of the following people:

Jimicka Alexander, 6th Grade Counselor

AnnaGrace Baldwin, 7th Grade Counselor

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