



# Dutchtown High School

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Dear Parent/Guardian:

If you are receiving this letter, it is because your child is enrolled in an EOC-associated course that will be completed Semester 2 (May 2021), and the EOC testing window is quickly approaching. Spring 2021 End of Course Georgia Milestones Assessment System testing window opens Friday, April 30, 2021 and closes on Tuesday, May 11, 2021. As we finalize our plans for testing, we wanted to share some information with you.

Per Georgia Department of Education (GaDOE) requirements, all Georgia Milestones Assessments must be conducted in person and on campus. So, students who are enrolled in an American Literature, Algebra I, US History, or a Biology course that ends in May 2021, who participate in a Milestones assessment, will do so onsite at school.

- Students who are enrolled at the Academy for Advanced Studies or Impact Academy in American Literature, Algebra I, US History, or a Biology course that concludes at semester will test at the school where they are enrolled in the class (e.g., AAS or Impact).

**Spring 2021 End of Course Georgia Milestones Testing Schedule**

Date	End of Course Assessment
Friday, April 30, 2021	US History
Monday, May 3, 2021	American Literature (Part I)
Tuesday, May 4, 2021	American Literature (Part II/III)
Wednesday, May 5, 2021	Make-Up Day
Thursday, May 6, 2021	Algebra I
Friday, May 7, 2021	Biology
Monday, May 10, 2021	Make-Up Day
Tuesday, May 11, 2021	Make-Up Day

### Critical Information for Testing this Year:

- The Georgia Milestones provides critical information for your child's teachers, school, and the school district related to your child's progress and performance. The Milestones assessment also provides families with important information related to your child's reading level, growth in ELA and Math over previous years, and information on your child's mastery of content standards. The information helps all parties involved in your child's education be informed of the best way to help your student be successful on their educational journey, and helps to appropriately schedule your child for coursework for the coming year (advanced coursework and support opportunities).
- For students enrolled in EOC-associated courses (American Literature, Algebra I, US History, and Biology), **end of course assessments count as the final exam**. As such, the end of course assessment will represent either .01% or 20% of your child's final grade for the course. Henry County Schools will apply the percentage that is most beneficial to your child's grade.
- Students must bring their laptop and charger to school with them on testing days.
  - If your student's laptop is in need of repair, please contact your child's school immediately to seek assistance with repairs.
  - Please ensure that all laptops have been in use and restarted prior to testing days to ensure all updates have been received.
- Remote learners who come in to test may participate in the main test administration with their classroom or may be scheduled to test on district-scheduled make-up days.

Complete the 2020-2021 DHS Spring Milestones Survey, indicating your preference for testing participation. Please use the link below or scan the QR code in order to complete the form. <https://forms.gle/5q5f1oS14oH8zzKF6>



- If your child is a full-time remote learner, and you do not want your child to participate in the Milestones test due to COVID-related concerns, you will be contacted by DHS personnel in order to verify your desire to opt-out of testing due to COVID.
- If you are opting out of Milestones testing due to non-COVID-related reasons, you will be contacted by DHS personnel to complete the required opt-out paperwork.

### Dutchtown High School Testing Procedures

All DHS students should report to the school for their respective content area assessment by 7:45am. Breakfast will be available for students in the cafeteria. Students are expected to wear masks and maintain responsible distance while on campus. Daily testing will be over at approximately 11:30 and parents can check out their students after all testing is completed. Parents will need to complete the Milestone Early Release form.

Room assignments for testing will be posted in the following areas:

- Commons/Cafeteria
- 800 Hall Corridor-near the bus lane

If you have questions about the Georgia Milestones End of Course (EOC) Assessment or which tests your child needs to take, please contact Mr. Avery, Assistant Principal, at [willie.avery@henry.k12.ga.us](mailto:willie.avery@henry.k12.ga.us), or Mrs. Brown-Henry, Graduation Coach, at [pamela.brown@henry.k12.ga.us](mailto:pamela.brown@henry.k12.ga.us).

Sincerely,



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