

Dear Parent/Guardian,



Hopefully, you had an opportunity to read the [Forsyth County Testing Update](#) emailed to Forsyth County parents last week. Below is a chart with more details about the assessments and the impact of Georgia Milestones Assessments for **this** school year.

Forsyth County Testing Calendar		Impact of the tests for the 2020-2021 school year
Georgia Milestones End-of Grade (EOG)	3-8 grade students	The tests are a measure of student achievement and are not calculated into a student's grade. Results of the test are not used for promotion/retention decisions.
Middle School Physical Science test	8th grade students taking Physical Science	
Georgia Milestones End-of-Course (EOC)	High school courses (Algebra 1, Biology, U.S. History, American Literature)	The EOC score will be calculated as 10% of the final grade IF it raises the student's grade. IF the EOC score negatively impacts the final grade, it will be calculated as 0.01%. If a student does not take the EOC, a zero will be calculated into the final grade as 0.01%.
Georgia Alternate Assessment (GAA) <i>an alternate assessment for eligible students on modified curriculum with an IEP</i>	Grades 3-8 and 11th <i>An individual administration during the testing window of March 8-April 30 (this will not overlap at VCMS with Milestones).</i>	The tests are a measure of student achievement and are not calculated into a student's grade. Results of the test are not used for promotion/retention decisions.

- **For specific VCMS Milestone Testing details, please read information found on the next page to assist with your decision.**

- There is no virtual option for any of these assessments. If your child will be taking one of these assessments, he or she will need to come to school to do so. Bus transportation will be provided for virtual students on testing days should you choose to take advantage of this option. Buses will run as scheduled at the beginning and end of the school day.
- **VCMS will continue to implement social distancing when/where possible and continue to expect students to wear masks while on campus.**
- **Lunch - Virtual students staying all day can get lunch. They need to know their student ID. Virtual students leaving after testing will not need lunch.**
- **More information will be provided as testing sessions approach.**

All Students	6th	7th	8th
Testing Dates and Content	<u>April 26</u> - ELA (part 1) <u>April 27</u> - ELA (part 2/3) <u>April 28</u> - Math	<u>May 10</u> - ELA (part 1) <u>May 11</u> - ELA (part 2/3) <u>May 12</u> - Math	<u>April 30</u> - SS <u>May 3</u> - ELA (part 1) <u>May 4</u> - ELA (part 2/3) <u>May 5</u> - Science <u>May 7</u> - Math
Make-Up Testing* (if absent on the original date)	<u>April 29</u> <u>May 6</u> <u>May 10</u>	<u>May 13</u> <u>May 14</u>	<u>May 6</u> <u>May 10</u> <u>May 13</u> <u>May 14</u>
F2F	9 - 12:00 pm Power Time Teacher	9 - 12:00 pm Power Time Teacher	9 - 12:00 pm Power Time Teacher
F2F	Upon arrival, report to Power Time Teacher	Upon arrival, report to Power Time Teacher	Upon arrival, report to Power Time Teacher
Virtual	9 - 12:00 pm Virtual Teacher	9 - 12:00 pm Virtual Teacher	9 - 12:00 pm Virtual Teacher
Virtual	Upon arrival, report to the cafeteria.	Upon arrival, report to the cafeteria.	Upon arrival, report to the cafeteria.

* **Make - Up Testing:** If a virtual student is absent one day and needs to make up that session, they may or may not be testing with F2F students.