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Roland Park K-8 IB World School

March 24, 2021

Dear Parent/Guardian,

The purpose of this letter is to inform you that your student will take the following computer-based and/or paper-based tests on the dates listed below. Please know, dates are subject to change.

- Grade 3 Reading all students (paper-based)-April 6th and April 7th, 2021
- Grade 3 Mathematics all students (paper-based)-May 6th and May 7th, 2021

- Grade 4 Writing all students (paper-based)-April 6th, 2021
- Grade 4 Reading all students (paper-based)-May 4th and May 5th, 2021
- Grade 4 Mathematic all students (paper-based)-May 6th and May 7th, 2021

- Grade 5 Writing all students (paper-based)-April 6th, 2021
- Grade 5 Reading all students (paper-based)- May 4th and May 5th, 2021
- Grade 5 Mathematics all students (paper-based)- May 6th and May 7th, 2021
- Grade 5 SSA Science all students (paper-based)- May 17th and May 18th, 2021

- Grade 6 Writing all students (paper-based) – April 6th, 2021
- Grade 6 Reading all students (paper-based) – May 4th and May 5th, 2021
- Grade 6 Mathematics all students (paper-based) – May 6th and May 7th, 2021

- Grade 7 Writing Brick and Mortar (computer-based) – April 6th, 2021
- Grade 7 Writing eLearning (computer-based) – April 7th, 2021
- Grade 7 Reading all students (computer-based) – May 4th and May 5th, 2021
- Grade 7 Mathematics all students (computer-based) – May 11th and May 12th, 2021
 - o For students enrolled in M/J Mathematics 2

- Grade 8 Writing Brick and Mortar (computer-based) – April 6th, 2021
- Grade 8 Writing eLearning (computer-based) – April 7th, 2021
- Grade 8 Reading all students (computer-based) – May 6th and May 7th, 2021
- Grade 8 Mathematics (computer-based) – May 11th and May 12th, 2021
 - o For students enrolled in M/J Accel Mathematics 2
 - o For students enrolled in M/J Pre-Algebra

- Civics EOC (computer-based) – May 18th
 - o For students enrolled in M/J Civics Advanced
- Algebra 1 EOC (computer-based) – May 19th and May 20th, 2021
 - o For students enrolled in Algebra 1 or Algebra 1 Honors
- Geometry EOC (computer-based) – May 19th and May 20th, 2021
 - o For students enrolled in Geometry Honors
- Grade 8 SSA Science (paper-based) – May 17th 2021
 - o For 8th grade students enrolled in a Science class

Per the Florida Department of Education (FDOE), no remote administrations are available for any statewide summative assessments.

For information regarding test session lengths and other information about the assessments, see the “About the Assessments” page on the portal: <https://fsassessments.org/florida-statewide-assessment-program.stml>.

Your student will have an opportunity to participate in a practice test to become familiar with the computer-based testing platform, item types, and response formats he or she will see on the assessment(s). If you or your student would like to review the computer-based practice test at home, the practice tests and answer keys are available at <https://FSAssessments.org/students-and-families/practice-tests/computer-based-materials/index.shtml>.

Please review the following policies with your student before testing:

- **Electronic Devices**—Students are not permitted to have any electronic devices, including, but not limited to, cell phones, smartphones, and smartwatches, at any time during testing **or** during breaks (e.g., restroom), **even if the devices are turned off or students do not use them**. If your student is found with an electronic device, his or her test will be invalidated.
- **Calculator Policy**— For Grades 7 and 8 Mathematics, **approved calculators may be used during Sessions 2 and 3 only**. For Algebra 1 and Geometry EOC assessments, **approved calculators may be used during Session 2 only**. If students have handheld calculators during Session 1, their tests will be invalidated.
- **Testing Rules Acknowledgment**—All tests include a Testing Rules Acknowledgment that reads: “I understand the testing rules that were just read to me. If I do not follow these rules, my test score may be invalidated.” Prior to testing, test administrators read the rules to students, and students acknowledge that they understand the testing rules by clicking a checkbox beside the statement in the secure browser.
- **Discussing Test Content after Testing**—The last portion of the testing rules read to students before they affirm the Testing Rules Acknowledgment states that because the content of all statewide assessments is secure, students may not discuss or reveal details about the test content (including test items, passages, and prompts) after the test. This includes any type of electronic communication, such as texting, emailing, or posting to social media sites. Please make sure your student understands this policy prior to testing and remind them that “discussing” test content includes any kind of electronic communication, such as texting, emailing, posting to social media, or sharing online. **While students may not share information about secure test content after testing, this policy is not intended to prevent students from discussing their testing experiences with their parents/families.**
- **Working Independently**—Students are responsible for doing their own work during the test and for protecting their answers from being seen by others. If students are caught cheating during testing, their tests will be invalidated. In addition, FDOE employs Caveon Test Security to analyze student test results to detect unusually similar answer patterns. Students’ tests within a school that are found to have extremely similar answer patterns will be invalidated.
- **Leaving Campus**—If your student leaves campus before completing a test session (e.g., for lunch, an appointment, illness), he or she **will not** be allowed to return to that test session. If your student does not feel well on the day of testing, it may be best for him or her to wait and be tested on a make-up day. Please remember not to schedule appointments on testing days.
- **Testing Accommodations**—If your student has an Individual Education Plan (IEP), a Section 504 Plan, or is an English Language Learner (ELL) or a recently exited ELL, please contact the school to discuss the testing accommodations that will be provided for your student.

If you have any questions related to this test administration, please contact Mr. Costanzo or Mrs. vonAncken at 813-872-5212. For more information about the Florida Statewide Assessments program, please visit the portal at www.FSAssessments.org.

Thank you for supporting your student and encouraging him or her to do his or her best during Spring 2021 assessments.

Sincerely,

Mr. Scott Weaver
Principal
Roland Park K-8