

Testing FAQ



“Closing the Distance”

If my child is an “at-home” learner, do they have to physically be on campus every day during the testing window? At home learners will come to school on their corresponding testing date only. On non-testing days, at-home learners may continue to attend their classes remotely. If your child is a face to face student, they will continue to attend school and attend their classes face to face.

What are the arrival procedures on testing day? Will there be assistance for students who have never been to the building before? Student drop off is located in the front of our school. 6th grade students enter through the east gate. 7th and 8th grade students enter through the west pedestrian gate. Students may enter the building at 9:00 A.M. and report directly to their 1st period class where they will be supervised by their teacher. In anticipation that we will have students on campus for the first time, we are making provisions by adding extra staff in the hallways and throughout campus to assist students in finding their classes. Please note that students may not be dropped at school prior to 9:00 A.M. as there is no supervision prior to this time.

What will the testing process look like? How long is the FSA Writing assessment? An announcement will be made at 9:33 AM for teachers to escort students who are testing to their designated testing location. All testing locations have been selected to ensure that we can facilitate physical distancing. The FSA Writing assessment is two hours in length. Testing is scheduled to begin at 9:45 AM and end at 11:45 AM during each testing day. In accordance with CDC guidelines, please note that students will be physically distanced at all times during testing and will be required to wear a mask.

Will my child have to bring a laptop? Students should bring their school-issued laptops. If they do not have a school issued laptop for testing, one will be provided by the school for testing only. Please note that iPads cannot be utilized for testing.

What happens after testing? Would I be able to pick up my child after testing? After testing, students will either follow their schedule for the remainder of the day and attend the rest of their classes **or** sign out of school early if their parent/guardian chooses to sign them out. Testing will conclude at approximately 11:45 A.M. – 12:00 PM on each testing day. If you plan on signing your child out immediately after they complete their FSA Writing assessment, we are asking that you please inform us of this using the Microsoft Forms link contained in this email. This information will allow us to facilitate a seamless and efficient process for any students that will be picked up immediately after testing. As a reminder, the school can only release students to individuals listed on the child's emergency contact card and that person must provide proper identification.

What happens if a student accidentally shows up to school on the wrong testing day? What if my child cannot test on the scheduled date or we arrive late? Can s/he still test? In the event that a student shows up to campus on the wrong testing day, they will be directed to follow their regular class schedule and finish their day on campus. They will then be redirected to test on their assigned day. If a child arrives late and/or cannot test on their scheduled date, makeup testing days will be offered on 04/26 – 04/28.

When is the FSA for Math and Science? E.O.C. exams? These tests will be administered in May. A schedule will be forthcoming pending district approval.