SCREADY AND SCPASS TESTING INFORMATION FOR BRICK N' MORTAR STUDENTS

April 5th, 2024

The South Carolina College-and Career-Ready Assessments (SC READY) are statewide assessments in English language arts (ELA), mathematics and science. SC READY ELA and mathematics are administered to students in grades 3-8 and science is administered to students in grades 4 and 6.

Students are required to test on-site at their brick-and-mortar schools of enrollment. Students will participate in testing on the following dates.

Subject/Test Type	Test Date and Times
ELA Text Dependent Writing Field Test (Grades 6-8)	Tuesday, April 11, 2024 Test With: Advisory Teacher OR Small Group (if applicable) 8:05 - 8:40pm = "Housekeeping" (pep talks, IDs, Chromebooks, Restrooms, etc). 8:45 - 11:15 = Testing Time Students to run on an Adjusted Bell Schedule after testing
ELA - Writing (Grades 6-8)	Tuesday, April 30, 2024 Test With: Advisory Teacher OR Small Group (if applicable) 8:05 – 8:40pm = "Housekeeping" (pep talks, IDs, Chromebooks, Restrooms, etc). 8:45 – 11:15 = Testing Time Students to run on an Adjusted Bell Schedule after testing
ELA - Reading (Grades 6-8)	Wednesday, May 1, 2024 Test With: Advisory Teacher OR Small Group (if applicable) 8:05 - 8:40pm = "Housekeeping" (pep talks, IDs, Chromebooks, Restrooms, etc). 8:45 - 11:15 = Testing Time Students to run on an Adjusted Bell Schedule after testing
Mathematics (Grades 6-8)	Tuesday, May 7, 2024 Test With: Advisory Teacher OR Small Group (if applicable) 8:05 - 8:40pm = "Housekeeping" (pep talks, IDs, Chromebooks, Restrooms, etc). 8:45 - 11:15 = Testing Time Students to run on an Adjusted Bell Schedule after testing
Science (Grade 6 <u>only</u>)	Thursday, May 9, 2024 Test With: Advisory Teacher OR Small Group (if applicable) 8:05 - 8:40pm = "Housekeeping" (pep talks, IDs, Chromebooks, Restrooms, etc). 8:45 - 11:15 = Testing Time Students to run on an Adjusted Bell Schedule after testing

IMPORTANT TECHNOLOGY REMINDERS (before, during and after the test):

- The tests will be administered online, so students should bring their **FULLY charged, school-issued device on each test day**. IMPORTANT TECHNOLOGY REMINDERS NORTHWEST MIDDLE SCHOOL does NOT have any loaner Chromebooks to issue students on test days.
- Some students with IEPs, 504 Accommodation Plans, or ILAPs may test with paper materials if this is specified as an accommodation in their plan.
- Students with IEPs, 504 Accommodations Plans or ILAPs that have testing accommodations will receive them during all testing.
- Students are expected to refrain from bringing any electronic device that can be used for communicating, timing, or imaging (e.g., cell phone, smart watch, Bluetooth headphones) into the testing location.
- <u>Electronic devices will be collected by the test administrator before testing and returned after each test session is completed, as under no circumstances can student's have electronic devices while testing</u>
- Once students have completed testing, they MUST power-off their Chromebook and place the Chromebook under their seat and/or in a designated location by teacher, as they are not allowed to be on their computers after testing
- Students will be provided with optional paper-pencil activities to work on after they are done testing through 11:15am

NORTHWEST TESTING "THINGS TO KNOW" (Read and review with your child):

- Students will participate in a school-wide State Test Student Expectations Assembly on Friday, April 5th during Advisory to help ensure everyone knows the rules and expectations for testing.
- Students should bring a snack and a bottle of water for testing.
- Students are HIGHLY ENCOURAGED to arrive to school by 8:05am to allow time for "housekeeping" things such as restroom breaks, Student IDs, Chromebooks, and last-minute pep talks.
- Students will not be allowed to do an early dismissal on testing days until AFTER 11:15am
- Students will run on an Adjusted Schedule after testing, where they will still see all teachers and get lunch
- Students will not be permitted to use the restroom during the first hour of testing, unless it is an emergency
- Students will participate in a 2nd school-wide State Test Student Expectations Assembly on Monday, April 22nd during Advisory to help ensure everyone knows the rules and expectations for testing.
- Students will not be allowed to participate in Field Day and other fun events at the end of the year, unless ALL of their State Testing is completed

Students can access the Online Testing Video Tutorials and the Online Tools Training (OTT) modules to become familiar with the online testing system. Although the OTT looks like a real test, there is no score, there is no time limit, and students may use it as many times as they want. The video tutorials and OTT are accessible on the DRC INSIGHT Homepage at https://wbte.drcedirect.com/SC/portals/sc/ (use the Google Chrome browser on a Chromebook or Windows device) - click on the DRC INSIGHT Online Assessment Tutorial and the SC READY/SCPASS Online Tools Training icons on the lower part of the screen.

To learn more about the SC READY and SCPASS assessments, please visit the SC Department of Education's website: SC READY - https://ed.sc.gov/tests/middle/sc-ready/information-for-parents/
Student and Parent Resources - https://ed.sc.gov/tests/assessment-information/student-and-parent-resources/

If you have questions, please do not hesitate to call me at 864-355-6911 or email me at cramey@greenville.k12.sc.us.

Sincerely,

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