## SCREADY TESTING INFORMATION FOR VIRTUAL (GCSVP) & HOME SCHOOL STUDENTS

April 5th, 2024

Dear Parents and Guardians of VIRTUAL Students Whose Brick-n-Mortar School is Northwest Middle,

The South Carolina College-an d 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. Remote testing is not available. Students enrolled in the GCS Virtual Program (GCSVP) and the GCS Home School Program will participate in testing on the following dates at Northwest Middle School.

Subject/Test Type	Test Date and Times	Testing Location for Your Student
TDW Field Test ( <b>Grades 6-8</b> )	Tuesday, April 23, 2024  Drop-Off: 8:30am on Bus Loop Side Pick-Up: 11:30am on Bus Loop Side (wait in car)	Northwest Middle School
ELA - Writing (Grades 6-8)	Tuesday, April 30, 2024  Drop-Off: 8:30am on Bus Loop Side Pick-Up: 11:30am on Bus Loop Side (wait in car)	Northwest Middle School
ELA - Reading (Grades 6-8)	Wednesday, May 1, 2024  Drop-Off: 8:30am on Bus Loop Side Pick-Up: 11:30am on Bus Loop Side (wait in car)	Northwest Middle School
Mathematics (Grades 6-8)	Tuesday, May 7, 2024  Drop-Off: 8:30am on Bus Loop Side Pick-Up: 11:30am on Bus Loop Side (wait in car)	Northwest Middle School
Science ( <b>Grade 6</b> only)	Thursday, May 9, 2024  Drop-Off: 8:30am on Bus Loop Side Pick-Up: 11:30am on Bus Loop Side (wait in car)	Northwest Middle School

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

- The tests will be administered online, so students should bring their FULLY charged, District-issued device on each test day. Home school students will be provided with a testing device on test days. IMPORTANT TECHNOLOGY REMINDERS NORTHWEST MIDDLE SCHOOL does NOT have any loaner Chromebooks to issue students on test days.
- Please have your student turn on their device and log in at home at least one day prior to testing to ensure the Chromebook operates as expected.
- 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>
- 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.
- 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 the teacher, as they are not allowed to be on their computers after testing

## **DIRECTIONS SPECIFIC TO NORTHWEST (follow for EACH test date that applies to you):**

Parents, please drop-off and pick-up students on our BUS LOOP SDIE (turn on from Geer Hwy; DO NOT turn on Langford Rd). Students will need to be dropped off at 8:30AM on the Bus Loop side. Please do not arrive before 8:30AM. A staff member will be outside at 8:30AM to greet them at the door and escort them inside. Please understand that doors will not open until 8:30AM; so again, please do not drop students off prior to that. Testing will begin promptly at 9:00AM. Students can bring a snack and/or bottle of water with them, if needed. Students should be picked up at 11:30AM on the Bus Loop side. Parents, we ask that you wait in your car on the BUS LOOP side until your child is finished. Students who are finished at 11:30AM will be escorted out to your vehicle. If your child is still working, we will come out and notify you, then escort them out as soon as they are finished.

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 <a href="https://wbte.drcedirect.com/SC/portals/sc/">https://wbte.drcedirect.com/SC/portals/sc/</a> (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 assessment, please visit the SC Department of Education's website: SC READY - <a href="https://ed.sc.gov/tests/middle/sc-ready/information-for-parents/">https://ed.sc.gov/tests/middle/sc-ready/information-for-parents/</a>
Student and Parent Resources - <a href="https://ed.sc.gov/tests/assessment-information/student-and-parent-resources/">https://ed.sc.gov/tests/assessment-information/student-and-parent-resources/</a>

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

Sincerely,

Corey Ramey Assistant Principal