

Dear BCS Families of Digital Students (grades 3-8),

On February 22, 2021, The Georgia Department of Education received guidance from the U.S. Department of Education concerning the expectations for administration of state mandated assessments for the 2020-2021 school year. According to the guidance, Georgia is expected to administer the Georgia Milestones End of Grade (EOG) (3-8) assessments this school year.

On May 10, 2021, Buford City Schools will begin administering the Georgia Milestones End of Grade assessments.

Buford City Schools is a *Title 20 No Waivers School District*; therefore, students in grade 3 must pass the **Reading** portion of the EOG assessment to be promoted, while students in grades 5 & 8 must pass **Reading and Math** EOG assessments to be promoted. All non-participants as well as students who do not pass the assessments in the May administration will be offered a retest opportunity in June. If students fail or do not participate in the EOG assessments, parents will be required to meet with the school principal and teacher for placement determination for the 2021-2022 school year.

End of Grade (EOG)

May 10--ELA Section 1 (grades 3-8)
May 11--ELA Sections 2 & 3 (grades 3-8)
May 13--Math Section 1 (grades 3-8)
May 14--Math Section 2 (grades 3-8)
May 17--Science (grades 5 and 8)
May 18--Social Studies (grade 8)

BCS Students who are enrolled in digital learning will also have the opportunity to participate in the EOG assessments on the same dates as listed above. Digital students will participate in EOG assessments in a separate location at each school (example: gymnasium) and will not interact with any in-person students. Digital students will be socially distanced and will be required to wear face coverings while testing. In order to plan for testing space and personnel, parents of digital students must complete the attached form to confirm participation in the assessments:

[Digital Learner Registration for Georgia Milestones](#)

The deadline for digital students to register to participate in the EOG assessments is March 31, 2021.

Students will use their school assigned Chromebooks to take the EOG assessments; therefore, it is imperative that the devices are fully charged each night for the next day's assessment.

If you have questions or concerns, please contact the local school.

Yours in education,

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