



Dear CEC Inverness families,

As many of you know, the spring semester is the season of state assessments. This means we are actively preparing for a successful week of assessments in which your student will be participating. 9th graders will take the PSAT 9, 10th graders will take the PSAT 10, and 11th graders will take the SAT and the CMAS Science test.

Tuesday, April 13, Thursday, April 15th and Friday, April 23 have been designated for state testing based on guidelines from the Colorado Department of Education. There will be no college prep or college bridge classes scheduled on the CECI campus during testing.

Please read the important points below to stay informed on the upcoming state mandated assessments:

11th graders

- SAT on **Tuesday, April 13th**. Testing will run from 7:45 am- 1:00 pm approximately
- CMAS (Colorado Measures of Academic Success) Science test on **Friday, April 23rd**. This is a computer-based test. Testing will run from approximately 7:45-12:00 pm.

10th graders

- PSAT 10 on **Thursday, April 15th**. Testing will run from 7:45 am-12:00 pm approximately.

9th graders

- PSAT 9 on **Friday, April 23rd**. Testing will run from 7:45 am-11:30 am approximately.

Testing will be located at:

Colorado Early College Inverness
321 Inverness Drive South
Englewood, CO 80112

We will be holding the PSAT 10 and SAT pre-administration on the test day. During the pre-administration, all students will complete basic information on the answer sheet (name, school, state, date of birth, etc.). In addition, there is optional and voluntary information that students can provide. To participate in the optional questionnaire portion of the pre-administration session, students must return this [signed consent form](#) on the day of testing. Please see the consent form for more information about the optional questionnaire.

All full-time students (including College Direct) are automatically registered for the assigned tests. **If you are a part time student wishing to participate, please complete this [form](#) by March 26th.**



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CECI's Governing Board as required by our state authorizer, CSI, has adopted state assessment policies including a State Assessment Opt-Out Policy that is available on the CEC website. If you elect to opt-out, please communicate this by completing the 2021 Parent/Guardian Excusal/Opt Out Form (form located at the bottom of this document) by **Tuesday, April 6th**.

As a public charter school, we must follow the mandates of the State of Colorado. We are held to the same measures of accountability as all other traditional district schools. We understand that standardized tests are only one source of data to demonstrate accountability to the state, but at this time this is the primary form of evidence recognized by the state. We are actively advocating to the state legislature to modify Post-Secondary and Workforce Indicators to include earned college credit hours and would like your support in this advocacy. We are proud of the accomplishments of our students and their demonstration of post-secondary and workforce readiness through other measures of success including Accuplacer test scores and college credit hours earned.

We will make every effort for the state mandated testing to be as minimally disruptive as possible for CECI students. We will implement state and local health protocols during this test, which include social distancing to the greatest extent possible and face masks. Please be aware that there is a potential for the test to be canceled in the event of increased health concerns and health department orders. We appreciate your continued support as we work through this season of testing.

Be on the lookout for more detailed information on testing in coming newsletters.

Warm wishes for a successful spring 2021 semester!

Wendy Rhodes

Director of Academic and Career Advising

Links:

[Pre-administration Consent Form 2021](#)

[CEC Parent Refusal Policy](#)

[SAT Student Guide](#)

[PSAT 10 Student Guide](#)

[PSAT 9 Student Guide](#)



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CECDC PARENT OPT-OUT FORM FOR STATE TESTING

Must be hand delivered to the front desk or scanned and emailed to wendy.rhodes@coloradoearlycolleges.org of your home campus by a parent or guardian by April 6th.

DATE: _____

STUDENT NAME: _____

Grade (circle): 9 10 11

Home Campus (circle): Parker Castle Rock Inverness

TEST(S) OPTING OUT (circle): CMAS PSAT9 PSAT 10 SAT

PARENT SIGNATURE: _____

OFFICE USE ONLY

DATE: _____

Received by: _____