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Dear Parents,

Tift County students in grades 3-8 will begin taking the Georgia Milestones End of Grade Assessment (GMAS) April 16th-26th. This assessment measures how well a student has acquired the knowledge and skills related to the state curriculum. It is very important that students perform to the best of their ability on the test. The tests will be administered in the following order:

Monday Apr 15, 2024	Tuesday Apr 16, 2024	Wednesday Apr 17, 2024	Thursday Apr 18, 2024	Friday Apr 19, 2024
No testing	ELA Section I 3rd-8th grades	ELA Section II 3rd-8th grades	ELA Section III 3rd-8th grades	Make up testing

Monday Apr 22, 2024	Tuesday Apr 23, 2024	Wednesday Apr 24, 2024	Thursday Apr 25, 2024	Friday Apr 26, 2024
Make up testing	Math Section I 3rd-8th grades	Math Section II 3rd-8th grades	Science I and II 5th & 8th grades	Social Studies I & II 8th grade

During the weeks of testing, the following tips can help your child perform to his/her greatest potential:

- Make sure that your child gets plenty of rest by going to bed early.
- Avoid rushing on testing days, but be sure to get your child to school on time. Stay calm and avoid arguments.
- Encourage your child to eat breakfast. It is difficult to think when you are hungry. Student breakfasts will be served as normal.
- Encourage your child to listen to all directions and to read each question carefully.
- Stress the importance of re-reading the test questions.

Testing will begin each day at approximately 8:15 a.m in 3rd-5th and 8:45 a.m. in 6th-8th. Students that come to school after that time, may be held in another room to wait until the testing session ends. Please do not schedule appointments for your child on GMAS testing days. ***It is imperative that your child is in school, is on time, and is not checked out early.***

Please contact your child’s school if you have any questions or concerns.

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