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Dear Parents/Guardians,

This letter is to inform you that students will be taking the Georgia Milestones each day from Thursday, April 28th, until Wednesday, May 11th, with make-ups on May 12. The schedule is as follows:

- Thursday, April 28th Economics
- Friday, April 29th U.S. History
- Monday, May 2nd Physical Science
- Tuesday, May 3rd American Literature
- Wednesday, May 4th American Literature Day 2 (extended writing)
- Thursday, May 5th Algebra I
- Friday, May 6th Analytic Geometry
- Monday, May 9th 9th Literature and Composition
- Tuesday, May 10th 9th Literature and Composition Day 2 (extended writing)
- Wednesday, May 11th Biology
- Thursday, May 12th Make Up

During this testing, students will be reporting to their advisory group first and then will move into their testing sessions or an extended class period if they are not testing on that day.

Please support your students throughout the testing season by emphasizing the following:

- 100% attendance is critical. We need all students here each day unless it is an emergency medical or other emergency situation. Also, students should be here on time and remain for the entire testing period.
- Early checkouts should be avoided on testing days. Testing will happen in morning and afternoon sessions; therefore, all students need to remain at school all day.
- Students should get a good night's sleep and report to school on time. Students who arrive late will have to take make-ups.
- Students should eat a good breakfast. If students do not eat at home, they will have the option of eating breakfast in the cafeteria before testing as long as they arrive to school on time (before 8:15 am).
- Students will not be allowed to have cell phones or electronic devices in the testing rooms. This includes smart watches (Apple watch, Android Wear, Pebble watch, etc.). All students will be required to store any electronic devices (including smart watches) that they bring into the testing room with the test administrator. Due to state mandates regarding testing, no student will have access to a cell phone or other electronic device while testing. If students violate this rule, a disciplinary consequence will be assigned and the student's test may be invalidated.
- Students should dress in layers so they can adjust their clothing if necessary to be comfortable in the testing room. A light jacket, over shirt, or sweatshirt can be easily removed or added as needed depending on the temperature.
- Students who create a disruption of any kind during the testing time will receive a disciplinary consequence.

We thank you in advance for your cooperation in ensuring the success of our children on the Georgia Milestones. Thank you and have a great week.

Sincerely,

Timothy Guiney, Principal

