

TURNER MIDDLE SCHOOL

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Dear Parent/Guardian:

This spring, every student enrolled in third through eighth grade in Georgia public schools will participate in the Georgia Milestones Assessment System (GMAS). GMAS is a comprehensive summative assessment that will measure how well students have mastered content and skills as outlined in the state-adopted standards in language arts, mathematics, social studies and science. This assessment system is designed to provide students with information regarding their achievement and readiness for their next level of learning, whether it is the next grade or next course.

GMAS will be administered over several days. Below is the testing calendar for students:

Date	Assessment	Grade Level
May 3	Georgia Milestones End-of-Grade (GMAS/EOG) Language Arts Section 1	3-8
May 4	Georgia Milestones End-of-Grade (GMAS/EOG) Language Arts Section 2 and 3	3-8
May 5	Georgia Milestones End-of-Grade (GMAS/EOG) Math Section 1 and 2	3-8
May 6	Georgia Milestones End-of-Grade (GMAS/EOG) Science Section 1 and 2	5 & 8
May 10	Georgia Milestones End-of-Grade (GMAS/EOG) Social Studies Section 1 and 2	8
May 10 & 11	Georgia Milestones End-of-Grade (GMAS/EOG) Make-up	6-8
May 12	Georgia Milestones End of Course (Algebra I) (GMAS/EOC)	8

- **We will follow our regular COVID-19 safety protocols during testing.**
- **Promotion/retention decisions will not be based upon any state assessment results.**
- **Students who do not participate in state testing may still qualify to take advanced classes and honors classes, including Advanced Placement (AP).**
- **Students in grades 3, 5, and 8 will not be required to retest for an End-of-Grade assessment if they do not pass the initial attempt.**

Student test results will be provided to parents in the Infinite Campus Parent Portal once they are available. Printed copies will no longer be sent home. The information is used to diagnose individual student's strengths and weaknesses and to gauge the quality of education.

For more information on the GMAS visit the Georgia Department of Education's Web page.
www.doe.k12.ga.us. For information regarding on-line testing, visit www.gaexperienceonline.com.

Thank you for your support.

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