## California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress Summative Assessments

Dear Parent(s) and Guardian(s):

For the 2021 spring administration of the California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress (CAASPP) for English language arts/literacy (ELA), and mathematics, students will be able to take their assigned tests remotely.

The Smarter Balanced Summative Assessments are online tests that measure what your student knows and is able to do. The tests include many different types of questions that allow students to interact with the test questions. Results help identify gaps in knowledge or skills early on so your child can get the support needed to be successful in school. Our testing schedule is as follows:

DAY	DATE	TIME	SUBJECT
Monday	May 3	10:20- 12:30 (Period 4, 5 & 6)	SCIENCE (Section 1-6)
Tuesday	May 4	10:20- 12:30 (Period 4, 5 & 6)	Math Test
Wednesday	May 5	10:20- 12:30 (Period 4, 5 & 6)	ELA Test

This letter provides information about what students testing remotely need. Students will take the test from the safety of their homes. The test administrator or examiner will connect with each child by computer. To make sure that each student receives the most accurate score, we are providing the following guidelines for student testing:

- 1. You may assist your child with setting up the technology used to enter the test session.
- 2. To keep the test fair for all students, we ask that you do not talk about the questions on the test or any materials for the test with anyone before, during, or after the test.
- 3. No one may record the test, or use a camera or another device to take pictures of the test questions or of your child taking the test. This helps to keep the questions confidential.
- 4. We need to know that the test is being completed by your child without any help. To verify compliance, a web camera and microphone will be used to observe your child while taking the test. The camera is only used to observe your child and the surroundings during the test and will not record the session.
- 5. Please follow all instructions given by the test administrator or examiner to place the camera where your child and the child's immediate surroundings can be observed.

If your child cannot use the computer's camera, microphone, and speaker or headphone during remote testing, you may contact Andrea Garcia: (909)444-3631 or

andreagarcia@wvusd.org for another way to administer the test to your child. Per Education Code 60615, parents can excuse their child from the test. The request to be excused must be submitted in writing to the school Principal. Please let the school know as soon as possible, so alternative arrangements can be made for your child. If you have questions or concerns, please reach out to Andrea Garcia: (909)444-3631 or andreagarcia@wvusd.org for more information.

Thank you for making sure your child is ready to test. With your help, we can ensure that your child, as well as all students in California, are provided with the best opportunity to succeed and show what they know.

Sincerely,

Dr. Ron Thibodeaux

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