



## Richmond County School System Spring Testing

The Georgia Milestones Assessment System (Georgia Milestones) is a comprehensive assessment system spanning grades 3 through high school. Georgia Milestones measures how well students have learned the knowledge and skills outlined in the state-adopted content standards in English Language Arts, Mathematics, Science, and Social Studies. Students in grades 3 through 8 will take End-of-Grade (EOG) assessments in each content area and Middle and High School Students will take the End of Course (EOC) assessments in select subject areas. Teachers have been working with students all year in preparation for this assessment. It is extremely important for your child to attend school on these days and be on time each day.

The test schedule is as follows:

End of Grade (EOG)	April 18-22	April 25-29
Elementary	Grade 3 and Grade 4	Grade 5
Middle School	Grade 6 and Grade 7	Grade 8
<b>End of Course</b>	<b>May 2-6</b>	<b>May 9-13</b>
Monday	Algebra and Economics	Physical Science and Biology
Tuesday	American Lit (Sec 1) and 9 <sup>th</sup> Grade Lit	
Wednesday	American Lit (Sec 2-3)	
Thursday	Geometry and US History	

This year some students will be testing online as part of the Georgia Department of Education's (GaDOE) effort to gradually move to online testing. Approximately 60% of Richmond County students will test online. You will be notified by your child's teacher or school about the platform your child will be tested this year.

We invite you to attend a District Georgia Milestone grade 3-12 Parent Resource Sessions listed below. Sessions are the same content so you can select the session that best fits your schedule. Please check with your child's school regarding other sessions that may be available. You may also check out parent resources at [www.gadoe.org](http://www.gadoe.org) on the Georgia Milestones Assessment page. You can also experience online testing using Google Chrome <http://www.gaexperienceonline.com/>

- March 8 11:00 AM -1:00PM Central Office, 864 Broad Street
- March 12 9:00AM -10:30AM Central Office
- 10:30AM - 12:00PM Central Office
- 12:00PM -1:30PM Central Office
- March 17 5:30PM-7:30PM Glenn Hills Middle Schools
- March 19 10:00AM-12:00PM Cross Creek
- March 21 5:00PM-7:00PM Westside and Hephzibah High
- March 28 5:00PM-7:00 PM Josey High School

## **Richmond County School System K-8 Promotion Requirements**

§ 20-2-282. Georgia Academic Placement and Promotion Policy

160-4-2-.11 PROMOTION, PLACEMENT, AND RETENTION Regulations

### **ELEMENTARY (K-5)**

A student shall be promoted when, in the professional judgment of the teacher/s and the principal and other professional school staff, he/she has successfully mastered the identified instructional standards of Georgia Public Schools (K-5) and Richmond County Board of Education.

**Kindergarten** To meet promotion requirements, a student must master essential standards for Language Arts and essential standards for Mathematics as identified on the Richmond County Board of Education Report Card.

**Grades 1, 2, 4** To meet promotion requirements, a student must obtain a passing grade in Mathematics and English Language Arts and pass at least two additional classes, Science, Social Studies and/or Health on the Richmond County Board of Education Report Card as an indication of level of mastery of essential standards.

### **Georgia and Richmond County Promotion Requirements for Grades 3 and 5**

No third grade student shall be promoted to the fourth grade that does not receive a determination of Grade Level or Above on the Georgia Milestones End of Grade Assessment in the area of Reading and meet local promotion requirements by obtaining a passing grade in English Language Arts and Mathematics and pass at least two additional classes, Science, Social Studies and/or Health on the Richmond County Board of Education Report Card as an indication of level of mastery of essential standards

No fifth grade student shall be promoted to the sixth grade that does not receive a determination of Grade Level or Above on the Georgia Milestones End of Grade Assessment in the area of Reading and to attain an achievement level in Mathematics of “Developing Learner”, “Proficient Learner”, or “Distinguished Learner” on the mathematics section of the Georgia Milestones End-of-Grade Assessment. In addition, students must obtain a passing grade in English Language Arts and Mathematics and pass at least two additional classes, Science, Social Studies and/or Health on the Richmond County Board of Education Report Card as an indication of level of mastery of essential standards.

## **MIDDLE SCHOOL (6-8)**

A student shall be promoted when, in the professional judgment of the teacher/s and the principal and other professional school staff, he/she has successfully mastered the identified instructional standards of Georgia Public Schools and Richmond County Board of Education.

**Grades 6-7** To meet promotion requirements, a student must obtain a passing grade in Mathematics and English Language Arts and pass either Science or Social Studies and at least half of the Connections courses they are taking in the school year on the Richmond County Board of Education Report Card as an indication of level of mastery of essential standards.

### **Georgia and Richmond County Promotion Requirements for Grades 8**

No eighth grade student shall be promoted to the ninth grade that does not receive a determination of Grade Level or Above on the Georgia Milestones End of Grade Assessment in the area of Reading and to attain an achievement level in Mathematics of “Developing Learner”, “Proficient Learner”, or “Distinguished Learner” on the mathematics section of the Georgia Milestones End-of-Grade Assessment. In addition, students must obtain a passing grade in Mathematics and English Language Arts and pass either Science or Social Studies and at least half of the Connections courses they are taking in the school year on the Richmond County Board of Education Report Card as an indication of level of mastery of essential standards