Spring 2019 CMAS Testing

Our CMAS assessment window is fast approaching and we are working hard to prepare students for this important work. Similar to an annual health check-up with a doctor, CMAS tests provide an "academic check-up." It provides teachers, students, and parents with information about how students are performing on Colorado Academic Standards, areas of strength and growth for learning, and academic progress over time to ensure students are on-track for college and career readiness. Teachers use CMAS test results to better understand what students need and adjust the instruction to match. In addition, our school receives state accreditation, in part, based on CMAS results.

Testing Schedules

Like last year, we have worked hard to minimize the impact of state testing on regular classroom instruction. On testing days, students will take 1-2 CMAS sessions. In between sessions, students will have lunch, recess, and an extended Advise time. This schedule significantly lessens the number of days students are testing.

6th Grade	ELA and Math: April 2, 3, 4
7th Grade	ELA and Math: March 19, 20, 21
	Social Studies: April 10, April 11 (am only)
8th Grade	ELA and Math: March 19, 20, 21
	Science: April 10, April 11 (am only)

Helpful Tips for Success

- Please refrain from scheduling appointments and/or avoidable absences on these days.
- Encourage your child to eat a healthy breakfast each morning (and bring healthy foods for lunch and snack)
- Encourage your child to do their best. Assessments are a chance for students to show what they know!
- Encourage your child to try hard and focus on growth.