



**Gloucester County Public Schools
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Dear GCPS Families of Students in Grade 3-8:

The GCPS testing window for Spring Non-Writing Standards of Learning (SOL) assessments is May 18 – June 15, 2022. School-specific plans for Spring SOL assessments will be communicated by each school Principal and School Testing Coordinator (STC). As usual, all regular SOL tests are to be administered under secure, standardized testing conditions in the presence of school personnel.

Student Virginia Assessment Program Requirements:

- Grades 3-8: Students will complete a mathematics and reading SOL assessment for federal accountability. This includes Algebra 1 and Geometry for middle school students enrolled in those courses.
- Grade 5 and Grade 8: Students will complete a science SOL assessment for federal accountability.
- Grade 4 Virginia Studies and Grade 8 Civics will complete their corresponding SOL assessments as directed by state regulations.
- As usual, since 2014-2015, Grade 6 & 7 students will complete the annual Local Alternate Assessment (LAA) for Social Studies, Grade 3 students will complete the annual LAA for Science and Social Studies, and Grade 5 students will complete the annual LAA for Writing.

Grade Level	Mathematics	Reading	Science	Social Studies/History
3	YES	YES	YES - LAA	YES - LAA
4	YES	YES	NONE	YES
5	YES	YES	YES	NONE
6	YES	YES	NONE	YES - LAA
7	YES	YES	NONE	YES - LAA
8	YES	YES	YES	YES

- Student performance in Grades 3-8 mathematics and reading will again include a Vertical Scaled Score that can show growth over time between the Spring 2021 SOL and Spring 2022 SOL assessments, or the Fall 2021 Growth and Spring 2022 SOL assessments. Mathematics and Reading scores will again be available through the Pearson Parent Portal as communicated in December 2021.
- All Spring SOL content areas will also provide the regular overall performance level on a scale of 200-600.
- All scores other than Reading and Mathematics will be communicated with end-of-year report cards as usual.

If you have questions about these requirements or your school's assessment schedule, please contact your school's Main Office and ask to speak to the Assistant Principal who serves as the School Testing Coordinator. If you have additional questions after speaking to your school's Test Coordinator, please contact Dr. Bess Worley, Director of Assessment & Evaluation, 804-693-7498.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
5/16	5/17	5/18 5th/4th Reading	5/19 3rd Reading	5/20 Rdg. Makeups
5/23	5/24	5/25	5/26 4th VA Stud./5th Sci.	5/27 Any Makeups
5/30 <i>Memorial Day School Closed</i>	5/31	6/1 5th Math SOL	6/2 4th/3rd Math	6/3 Any Makeups
6/6	6/7 Reading Retake	6/8 VA Stud./Sci. Retake	6/9 Math Retake	6/10