

STAAR 411

Information for

LOMS Students

FYI – All Students

STAAR Testing starts April 14th & finishes May 1st in the building

All test days are closed campus days – no visitors

No food deliveries are allowed for <u>any</u> grade level regardless if you are testing or not

Make-up testing will be within the week or following week after each testing subject.
All have to be completed by May 2nd

2024-2025 LOMS STAAR Testing Dates	
DATE	EXAM
Monday, April 14th	Grade 8 Reading STAAR
Tuesday, April 15th	Grade 7 Reading STAAR
Wednesday, April 16 th	Grade 6 Reading STAAR
Wednesday, April 23 rd	Grade 8 Science STAAR
Thursday, April 24 th	Grade 8 Social Studies STAAR
Tuesday, April 29 th	Grade 6 Math STAAR /Algebra EOC
Wednesday, April 30th	Grade 7 Math STAAR
Thursday, May 1st	Grade 6 Math STAAR

FYI – Your Testing Day Technology



- Bring your district issued laptop-fully charged with your charging card
- All technology cell phones, smart watches, blue tooth enabled headphones will be turned into your testing teacher the day of your test
- Turn these items off before turning into teacher
- Leave whatever you can at home
- If you can, bring a Ziploc with your name to place all items together if you have multiple things to turn in to the teacher
- You will get them back after all the testing materials in the building have been accounted for and we are about to dismiss to class
- Only students who are STAAR testing will be able to check out a day use computer in the morning. If we run out of loaners you will have to test on a makeup day

Lost Laptop Charger

- If you do not have your district issued laptop, we advise that you purchase a replacement
- The replacement laptop charger must be the correct wattage and brand.
- Here is an <u>Amazon Link</u> to an option for a replacement laptop charger that is acceptable to use with the district issued laptops





Laptop Updates

 Please watch the video about how to check for computer updates.

How to check for updates

Daily Schedule on Your Test Days

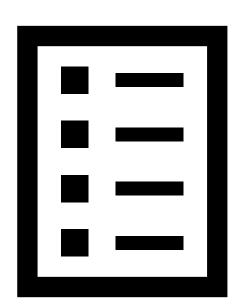
You will report directly to your testing room on your specified testing day – room assignments will be communicated to students by teachers on Friday, April 11th Staff will be in the hallway on testing day to help you find your testing location

You may NOT switch or move rooms the entire day; lunch will be in your room as well

Your regular schedule will not proceed unless there is an announcement to move classes

An announcement will be made when you are allowed your devices back

Access to backpack is prohibited during testing



Hallways on Testing Days

On all STAAR testing days, LOMS will be in a testing environment

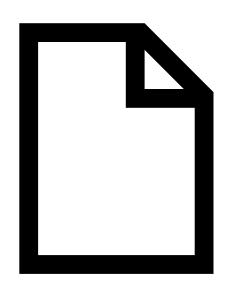
All students are asked to be QUIET in the hallway

The 1300 restroom will be only for testing students

The 1300, 1400, and 1500 hallways will be closed for testing rooms and testing students

Some teachers will move rooms for testing

Scratch Paper



You will be allowed scratch paper during your tests

You ARE allowed to ask for extra scratch paper during test

You are NOT allowed to keep the scratch paper to play with after testing. The scratch paper will be counted and collected by your testing teacher once your tests are submitted

Do not try to tear the scratch paper – all paper must be collected

Graph paper is allowed for math

Expect the unexpected



Chances are something will happen with technology the day of the STAAR. The testing software may kick you out, internet may go down, your test code may have issues, the testing website may go down or your computer may not work or randomly turn off



Remember: it will be okay!



If you have technology issues, extra staff will be assigned that day to help us with those problems. Do not worry about this if it happens. Stay calm, ask for help, and don't worry. You and many students across the state of Texas may experience these issues. It will be okay. You got this!

What you <u>CAN</u> bring on your testing days:

- Lunch or Lunchboxes
 - Bring your own or you can order school bagged lunch
 - School bagged lunch options will alternate each day
 - You have 2 choices Regular option or Vegetarian option with a Milk Choice
 - No extras or snacks will be purchased on testing days
 - Regular lunch option choice will possibly be a Cheeseburger or Hamburger
 - Vegetarian option choice will possibly be a Cheese Sandwich
- A novel/book to read when done
 - Only allowed to lay your head down on your desk or read a book (after lunch) when done testing
- Optional for all testing days: you are allowed to bring an external mouse if you prefer to use one to navigate the test

What you <u>CANNOT</u> bring or do on your testing days:

- Backpack takes up too much room
- Do not wear pajamas. Stay in dress code!
- Do not bring any pillows, blankets, or materials not appropriate for the testing environment they will not be allowed in the testing rooms
- Drawing materials or other activities to do after testing (not permitted)
 - Only allowed to lay your head down or read a book (after lunch) when your test is done
- Leave school early
 - On your testing days, if you have started your test then it must be submitted regardless if you are being check out early
 - You will not be able to resume it the next day or a make-up day
 - Reschedule any appointments

Feeling Anxious?

- Remember your test taking skills or reminders your teachers have taught you to help.
- You may not know everything, but just do the best you can.
- For more information, check out strategy videos and exam success meditations on YouTube.



Reminders for STAAR Test Day

- Get a good night's sleep the night before.
- Bring your fully charged laptop (and charger, just in case).
- No blankets or pillows allowed.
- Be sure you're in dress code.
- All personal items must be away from you in the testing room.
- Absolutely NOTHING that can connect to the internet is allowed on you during testing. Turn off and give your testing teacher all your electronic devices.

 If you have any prohibited device on you, your test will not be scoredì no exceptions.
- After your test, you may read or rest quietlyì nothing else.
- Don't stress. Don't overthink. You've prepared for this!



QUESTIONS?