

May 12, 2018

Dear Titan Parents and Guardians,

It's now the home-stretch of the school year, and your children have been preparing diligently for their STAAR tests. We would like to provide you with some information regarding these tests, which are this week. The STAAR days are:

Monday, May 14	Tuesday, May 15	Wednesday, May 16	Thursday, May 17	Friday, May 18
STAAR Math 6 STAAR Math 7 STAAR Math 8 (Retest) NO VISITORS TO CAMPUS	STAAR Reading 6 STAAR Reading 7 STAAR Reading 8 (Retest) NO VISITORS TO CAMPUS	STAAR Science 8 NO VISITORS TO CAMPUS	STAAR Social Studies 8 NO VISITORS TO CAMPUS	STAAR Make-ups

We are sharing this information with you to give you an opportunity to help you best prepare your child for these important assessments. Please take a moment to share the information below with your child; it will reinforce what they have already been told at school.

1. Get a good night's rest, and make sure to eat breakfast before the test
2. If possible, please leave electronic devices at home. Devices such as mobile phones, smart watches, iPads, tablets, etc., may not be in your child's possession during testing. Devices will be collected from students prior to testing, and they will be returned to them when testing concludes. After devices are collected and testing begins, students found to be in possession of a device, even if it is not in active use, will have their assessment voided, and they will not have an opportunity to take and pass the STAAR test. For more details, please read the [Electronic Device Policy Notification to Parents – State Testing](#), which is on our campus webpage
3. Your child will eat lunch in his/her testing room on their testing day(s). Students are encouraged to bring their own lunch from home. However, all students are welcome to order a sack lunch from the cafeteria if they wish, or if they forget their lunch from home. **There will be no outside lunch deliveries or the ability for parents/family to eat with their child(ren) on STAAR test days. This includes students who are not testing on these days**
4. Students should bring their lunches to class/testing room with them – all grade levels. Students will not be able to visit their lockers on the way to lunch or to leave the testing room to retrieve their lunches
5. There are no before or after school activities on Monday, May 14, Tuesday, May 15, and Wednesday, May 16; there will be no before school activities on Thursday, May 17. Students will use their normal mode of transportation home at dismissal time on STAAR test days
6. If a student is absent for any reason on a test day, STAAR make-up will occur on Friday, May 18.

We are grateful for your support with ensuring a successful testing week. Please call us if you have any questions. You may reach us at (281) 634-3080.

Yours in the service of children,

Keith Fickel, Principal
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