



April 18th, 2023

Dear Parents and Guardians,

With state-wide academic testing coming up for our students, I wanted to share a message with you about the importance of the coming weeks for your child and for our school. As the principal of McMillin, I understand that testing can sometimes feel overwhelming for both students and parents, but I want to stress to you the value that this process can hold for your child's future.

These tests provide us with valuable information about your child's academic strengths and areas to grow, which can help us identify where they may need additional academic support. With insight into your child's academic abilities, these tests help us evaluate the effectiveness of our teaching strategies and curriculum. This information allows us to make any necessary adjustments and ensure that we are providing the best possible education for your child.

Academic testing is also a critical part of preparing your child for college and career. In the future, tests like these will be used to make determinations about a number of areas within your child's life related to College and Career. For example, colleges and universities use tests like these as part of their admissions process, and some career paths may also require specific test scores as a prerequisite. So, at McMillin, we believe it is important that we help prepare our students to feel comfortable in a testing environment so they have the opportunity to successfully demonstrate their unique abilities.

As a parent, you play a crucial role in helping your child prepare for academic testing. Encouraging your child to attend school regularly, stay organized, and manage their time effectively are all important steps in ensuring that they are well-prepared for the testing process. Additionally, providing a supportive environment and offering guidance and encouragement can help to reduce any stress or anxiety that your child may feel. I encourage you to write notes of support during the testing period or send their favorite snacks with them to school.

Lastly, I want to assure you that our school is committed to providing the best possible education for your child. We will do everything we can to support them during the testing process and help them achieve their full potential.

Thank you for your continued support and partnership in your child's education.

Sincerely,

Savannah Sturges, Ed.D.
Principal, McMillin Elementary School

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McMillin End Of Year Testing Calendar (Start Dates)						
	Smarty Ants	Achieve3000	i-Ready	CAASPP SCI.	CAASPP ELA	CAASPP Math
T.K.	May 1	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Kinder	May 1	n/a	May 8	n/a	n/a	n/a
1st	May 1	May 1	May 8	n/a	n/a	n/a
2nd	n/a	May 2	May 4	n/a	n/a	n/a
3rd	n/a	May 2	May 4	n/a	May 8	May 16
4th	n/a	May 2	May 3	n/a	May 8	May 16
5th	n/a	May 2	May 3	April 26	May 8	May 16
6th	n/a	May 8	May 9	n/a	May 17	May 15