

Dear Fifth Grade Parents,

During February and March, there are several important dates and events that are quickly approaching. Currently, our 5th grade students are preparing for the S.O.L. English: Writing test that will occur on March 6th and 7th. Fifth grade students will also take part in the S.O.L. English: Writing Online Field Test. This field test will provide the Virginia Department of Education an opportunity to gather data about S.O.L. English: Writing as an online test, before actually moving to this format in Spring 2013. The S.O.L. English: Writing Online Field Test is a “test of the test,” students and schools will not receive scores.

Each class will take the SOL test on a designated day. Your child will be taking the tests on the following days:

S.O.L. English: Online Short Essay Field Test (NO scores will be given to students and schools)		
Monday February 13th	Tuesday February 14th	Wednesday February 15th
Mrs. Nodell Ms. Staples	Mrs. Hazlett Mrs. Schmidt	Make-up testing

S.O.L. English: Writing Test (Scores <u>WILL</u> be given to students and schools)		
Tuesday, March 6th Multiple Choice	Wednesday, March 7th Short Essay	Thursday March 8 and Friday March 9
Mrs. Nodell Mrs. Hazlett Ms. Schmidt Ms. Staples	Mrs. Nodell Mrs. Hazlett Ms. Schmidt Ms. Staples	Make-up Days

S.O.L. English: Online Multiple Choice Field Test (NO scores will be given to students and schools)		
Monday March 12th	Tuesday March 13th	Wednesday March 14th
Mrs. Nodell Ms. Staples	Mrs. Hazlett Ms. Schmidt	Make-up testing

Test sessions will begin promptly at 8:10 am. Therefore, it is very important that your child is at school on time for each test session. If your child is tardy on the day of a test he/she will not be allowed to enter the classroom until all testing is completed and will take a make-up exam on another day. The teachers and students have worked hard to prepare for the test. On the day your child will be testing, it is beneficial if each child has had a good night's rest and has eaten a healthy breakfast.

Thank you,
Brian Blubaugh
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