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Dear West Leadership Academy Families,

We will begin the Colorado Measures of Academic Success (CMAS) assessments on Tuesday, March 24, 2020 for 11th grade and Middle School from Wednesday, April 8 through Thursday, April 16. These assessments focus on the knowledge and skills our kids need for success in our global economy, including skills such as analytical thinking and the ability to solve complex problems. The CMAS assessments focus on three different content areas depending upon the grade your child is in:

- English Language Arts (ELA) and Math – 6th, 7th, 8th
- Science – 8th grade and 11th grade

We want to help parents and families with information to support student success during this time. These assessments will give our teachers critical information to help our students be on track for college and career readiness and help us understand whether our students have the necessary skills to succeed after high school.

Calendar: The calendar on the reverse side was created to communicate to you when the CMAS assessments are occurring. We ask parents and families to ensure their children get plenty of sleep and a healthy breakfast every day, but especially on assessment days. In addition, if there are doctor's appointments or other appointments that need to be made, we hope this calendar will help you to make those appointments on non-assessment days.

Attendance: We also want to communicate that all students should be in school *on-time, all day and every day*, regardless of whether assessments are occurring or not. Important teaching and learning happens in between testing, so it is imperative that students are here. Our expectations remain around vacations and we expect parents to continue to plan vacations around the DPS calendar.

Make-Ups: Students do best when they are in their classroom environment for testing. In the event that your child has to miss a test session, they will have to make up the test another time and will be pulled during their instructional time to do so. To prevent disruption to your child's and other student's day, please make sure that your child is at school every day and limit their absences to only when they are sick.

We appreciate your support during this time. Assessments, including CMAS as well as those taken throughout the year, are vital tools for teachers to support student success. There are online resources to help parents and families support their student during CMAS testing, located at standards.dpsk12.org. If you have any questions, please feel free to reach out to me. Thank you, and go Cowboys!

Teresa Sena-Klava
Principal
West Leadership Academy

**WLA CMAS
SCHEDULE
MARCH 2020**

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
2	3	4	5	6
9	10	11	12	13
16	17	18	19	20
23	24	25	26	27
Early Opt in Window	11 th Sci Unit 1 (50 min)	11 th Science Makeups	11 th Science Makeups	11 th Science Makeups
for HS Science begins	11 th Sci Unit 2 (50 min)			
	11 th Sci Unit 3 (50 min)			
	½ day for 11 th grade only			
30	31	1	2	3
Spring Break	Spring Break	Spring Break	Spring Break	Spring Break

**WLA CMAS
SCHEDULE
APRIL 2020**

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
6	7	8	9	10
		AM (8:30-10:25)	AM (8:30-10:25)	Make-Ups
No Students PD day.		8th Science Unit 1 (80) min	8th Science Unit 3 (80) min	
		PM (12:00-1:45)		
		8th Science Unit 2 (80 min)		
13	14	15	16	17
AM (7:45-10:50)	NO CLASS FOR MIDDLE SCHOOL	AM (7:45-10:50)	AM (7:45-10:10)	Make-Ups
6 th ELA 1 (110 min)	PSAT-SAT Testing	6 th ELA 2 (110 min)	6 th ELA 3 (110 min)	
7 th ELA 1 (110min)		7 th ELA 2 (110 min)	7 th ELA 3 (110 min)	
8 th ELA 1 (110 min)		8 th ELA 2 (110 min)	8 th ELA 3 (110 min)	
PM (12:20-2:20)		PM (12:20-2:20)	PM (12:20-2:20)	
6 th Math 1 (65 min)		6 th Math 2 (65 min)	6 th Math 3 (65 min)	
7 th Math 1 (65 min)		7 th Math 2 (65 min)	7 th Math 3 (65 min)	
8 th Math 1 (65 min)		8 th Math 2 (65 min)	8 th Math 3 (65 min)	
20	21	22	23	24
Make-Ups	Make-Ups	Make-Ups	Make-Ups	CMAS Window Closes
27	28	29	30	