



December 8, 2009

Dear Parents/Guardians:

This spring students in grades 3 - 6 in Fairfax County Public Schools will be taking the Standards of Learning (SOL) Assessments as required by the Virginia Department of Education. The purpose of the testing is to provide information about students' achievement on the SOL objectives in English, Mathematics, History/Social Science, and Science. The assessments will be as follows:

Third Grade

Subject Assessed	Testing Date
English Reading	May 17 & 18, 2010 (change)
Science	May 20, 2010
Social Studies	May 28, 2010
Mathematics	June 3, 2010

Fourth Grade

Subject Assessed	Testing Date
English Reading	May 18, 2010
VA Studies	May 24, 2010
Mathematics	May 27, 2010

Fifth Grade

Subject Assessed	Testing Date
English Writing – Multiple Choice	March 2, 2010
English Writing – Direct Writing Prompt	March 3, 2010
English Reading	May 19, 2010 (change)
Science	May 21, 2010
Mathematics	May 26, 2010

Sixth Grade

Subject Assessed	Testing Date
English Reading	May 19, 2010
US History to 1877	May 25, 2010
Mathematics	June 2, 2010

Due to the importance of these tests, attendance before testing is imperative for students to receive instruction in new material and to review previously taught material. Attendance during the testing window provides the students with an opportunity to test with their peers and in a familiar classroom environment. For this reason, we are asking that vacation plans occur after testing. Please contact me at 703-506-7800 or Jessica.Lewis@fcps.edu should you have any questions or comments.

Sincerely,

Jessica Lewis
Acting Assistant Principal