



Fall Semester End of Course Assessments

November 2, 2020

Dear Virtual Parents, Guardians, and Students,

It is hard to believe that it is time to begin planning for the end of our First Semester! But as we move forward into the semester, we wanted to share information about required assessments for your student's courses.

Through Senate Bill 367, the State of Georgia has reduced the number of required End-of-Course assessments. There are four required assessments beginning this semester – Algebra 1, American Literature, Biology and U.S. History. If your student is enrolled in one of these courses, they are required to take the End of Course assessment for that course. The EOC assessment, based on State Board of Education (SBOE) requirements, is weighted a percentage of your overall course final average. Typically, the weight is 20%, the SBOE is reviewing a temporary reduction to this percentage for the 2020-2021 school year. The SBOE is expected to make a decision at their November 19th meeting. There are two exceptions; if your student is enrolled in AP U.S. History, U.S. History Dual Enrollment, AP American Literature or American Literature Dual Enrollment, students are exempt from the U.S. History exam or the American Literature exam.

Based on testing requirements, all students are expected to test within the same testing window and on the same testing day. The PCSD testing schedule has been set as below:

DECEMBER 2020						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
29	30	1	2 Am LC 1	3 Am LC 2/3	4	5
6	7 Algebra I	8 Biology	9 US History	10 Make-Ups	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18 Early Release	19
Final Exams & EOC Make-Ups						

All students who require an EOC assessment must report to campus for testing. This includes our Virtual Learners and students who are scheduled opposite their normal hybrid schedule. Our testing schedule for the days are as follows: All Face to Face students and **Virtual students with extended time accommodations via an IEP, a 504, or a TPC** will test in the morning beginning at 8:35am each day. **Virtual Students testing on standard times** will test in the afternoon with testing sessions beginning no later than 12:00pm.

Virtual students are to report for testing at: **AM Testers (those with extended time accommodations)** should report to EPHS at 8:00am. **PM testers** should report to EPHS at 11:30am. Students may be dropped-off at the front of the school and should report directly to the auxiliary gym to present themselves for testing. (Enter the lobby of the theater building. Proceed through the lobby to the auxiliary gym at the back of the lobby.) Staff members will be available to assist students with where to report at the drop off point. Dismissal for Virtual students will also be located at the auxiliary gym.

Thank you for your continued support, if you have questions or needs, please do not hesitate to reach out to your teacher or your local school counselor for more information.

We look forward to seeing you on assessment day and continuing to support your learning.

Sincerely,

Brad Thomason

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