## *California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress*

## *2022–23 Parent/Guardian Notification Letter for CAASPP Summative Testing*

Dear Parent(s) and Guardian(s):

For the 2023 spring administration of the California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress (CAASPP), students enrolled in Virtual Learning will be able to take their assigned tests remotely. Students will take the test from the safety of their homes. The test administrator or examiner will connect with each child by computer. The CAASPP Testing Window is below:

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| **WCCUSD Summative CAASPP Window**  **April 11th - May 19th, 2023**  Schools will share their specific testing dates with parents/guardians. This year, students will take the following CAASPP computer-based assessments depending on their grade level or instructional program: |

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| **Test** | **Description** | **Students Participating** | **Information** | **Website** |
| Smarter Balanced (SBAC) | English Language Arts (ELA) and mathematics | Grades 3-8 and 11, except for students taking the CAA tests.  ELA section is not administered to English learners in the first 12 months of attending school in the United States. |  | https://bit.ly/3smCMpu |
| \*California Alternate Assessment (CAA) | Alternate assessment in English Language Arts (ELA) and mathematics | Students with the most significant cognitive disabilities in grades 3-8 and 11 are required to participate. | As designated in their IEP | https://bit.ly/2NXN3t5 |
| California Science Test (CAST) | Assessment based on the Next Generation Science Standards | Grades 5, 8, 11 and 12\*\* are required to participate. |  | https://bit.ly/3qOC4Rv |
| \*California Alternate Assessment for Science | Alternate assessment in science | Students with the most significant cognitive disabilities in grades 5, 8, 11 and 12\*\* are required to participate. | As designated in their IEP | https://bit.ly/2NXN3t5 |
| California Spanish Assessment (CSA) | A Component of the CAASPP. Presented in Spanish. | Students in grades 3-8 enrolled in Dual Language Immersion classes |  | https://bit.ly/3IAoyK9 |

\*Alternate Assessments must be taken in person

\*\*Grade 12 students are required to participate if not tested in previous year

We need to know that your child is completing the test without any help. **To verify compliance, a web camera and microphone will be used; the camera is required** to observe your child while taking the test. The camera is only used to observe your child and the surroundings during the test and will not record the session.

* Video monitoring by the test administrator is requiredfor remote administration for CAASPP assessments
* Video and microphone are required to monitor and communicate with students during testing

To ensure that each student receives the most accurate score, we provide the following guidelines for student testing. To keep the test fair for all students we ask that you:

* Assist your child with setting up the technology used to enter the test session.
* Do not talk about the questions on the test or any materials for the test with anyone before, during, or after the test.
* Do not record the test, or use a camera or another device to take pictures of the test questions or your child taking the test. This helps to keep the questions confidential.
* Please follow all instructions given by the test administrator or examiner to place the camera where your child and the child’s immediate surroundings can be observed.
* Whenever possible try to limit any other internet use while your child is testing.

If your child cannot use the computer’s camera, microphone, and speaker or headphones during remote testing, contact your child’s school administrator to schedule your child for in-person testing.

Thank you for making sure your child is ready to test. With your help, we can ensure that your child and all students in California are provided with the best opportunity to succeed and show what they know.

**More about the CAASPP & Parent Resources**

The CAASPP practice tests are another good resource. They can be found on the CAASPP Website at <https://www.caaspp.org/practice-and-training/index.html>