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Wellman-Union Parents/Guardians,

As we enter the spring semester of the 2020-2021 school year, we want to outline the student requirements for the state assessments administered this spring. While the state removed the A-F Accountability ([TEA Press Release](#)) labeling for Texas schools and districts, the individual responsibility for students has not been removed. All students will take the corresponding STAAR, STAAR Alternate, TELPAS and TELPAS Alternate assessments.

The information below outlines all the upcoming testing dates, how it impacts your student, and other essential information to consider on these testing days. It is important that your student be at school on the day these assessments are given. The data provided by these assessments not only helps us know where there may be unfinished learning it is used to monitor and improve curriculum each year. Please join us in working toward your child's success by making sure that he /she is in school for each of the testing days.

Teachers and administrators will be working together to make recommendations about which students would benefit from extra tutorials and the skill-specific help that will be offered this spring. The goal is to ensure that all students who are taking these important tests are as prepared as possible. Your help in ensuring your child attends both classes and the additional tutorials is deeply appreciated.

STAAR Grades 6-8 Testing

Grades 7 Writing	April 6, 2021
Grade 8 Science	May 6, 2021
Grade 8 Social Studies	May 7, 2021
Grades 6-8 Math	May 11, 2021
Grades 6-8 Reading	May 12, 2021

Reminders for Students/Parents

- ✓ Avoid scheduling doctor's appointments on these dates, if possible.
- ✓ STAAR Tests are timed tests (4-hours)
- ✓ Students can bring a fiction book to read (NO Kindle's or E-Readers) at the conclusion of their testing. (Textbooks, non-fiction books, or homework will not be permitted.)
- ✓ Music devices, cell phones, Apple watches, data storage devices, video games, or cameras will NOT be permitted in the testing rooms. Students in violation will receive 'no credit' on their state assessments and are subject to disciplinary action. Students are not allowed to have a cell phone on their person at any time during state testing.
- ✓ Students are expected to follow dress code and not bring pillows or blankets to school on testing days.

If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact us at 806-637-4619.

Sincerely,
Megan Becker
Testing Coordinator