

WELLMAN-UNION INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

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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 (<u>TEA Press</u> <u>Release</u>) 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.

Students take STAAR EOC assessments as they are *completing* the corresponding courses since these assessments are required for high school graduation (TEC §39.025). A student who does not pass may retake the assessment during the next administration to meet graduation requirements

STAAR EOC Testing

English I	April 6, 2021
English II	April 8, 2021
Algebra I	May 4, 2021
US History	May 5, 2021
Biology	May 6, 2021

Reminders for Students/Parents

- \checkmark 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