GET YOUR CHILD READY FOR SC READY AND SC PASS

The South Carolina College- and Career-Ready Assessments (SC READY) program is a statewide assessment in English Language Arts (ELA) and mathematics administered to students in grades 3-5. The South Carolina Palmetto Assessment of State Standards (SCPASS) is a statewide assessment in science administered to students in grade 4. Help us get your child ready by reading the important information below.

1. WHEN

SC READY Writing, Reading, and Math tests are scheduled for students in grades 3-5 on May 25-27, 2021. Fourth grade students will also take the SCPASS for science on May 28, 2021.

2. WHERE

The assessments will take place in person at Hunley Park for all students in grades 3-5 and will be administered in the morning.

3. WHAT IS IT?

The SC READY and SCPASS are untimed tests. The SC READY will include selected response, short answer, evidence-based selected response, and text-dependent analysis questions. The evidence-based selected response questions will require students to read a passage and choose the best answer from the provided choices. The text-dependent analysis questions will require students to read a passage of text and draw upon that text to write extended responses. All items on the SCPASS will be multiple choice. The SC READY and SCPASS tests are aligned with state standards and what is taught in your child's classroom.

4. NEED TRANSPORTATION?

Bus transportation for full-time virtual students in grades 3-5 will be provided. All CCSD bus routes, stop times, and locations can be found on the <u>CCSD Transportation</u> web page under Bus Schedules. If you believe that there is not a bus stop within 3/10 of a mile of your home, please submit a bus stop request through our B<u>us</u> <u>Transportation Complaint and Feedback Form</u>. Bus stops normally will not be added if there is an existing bus stop within 3/10 of a mile of your home. Please submit your bus stop request ten (10) days prior to your child's scheduled test date.

5. HOW TO PREPARE YOUR CHILD

- Arrive at school on time, and come every day; avoid being absent.
- Schedule doctor's appointments and other appointments after school hours.
- Keep your child's electronic devices, smart watches, and toys home on testing days.
- Ensure virtual learning students' iPads are fully charged for when they come to school by plugging them in the night before they are to arrive at school.
- Set a reasonable time for your child to go to sleep to make sure they are well rested.
- Encourage them to eat breakfast at home or at school so that they have a well-balanced meal and are not hungry during testing.
- Provide positive affirmations to help alleviate stress by telling your child, "You will do great," "I know you will
 do well," or, "Take your time and do your best."