



*The administrators, teachers, and parents of Compass Montessori School aim to nurture the whole child, adapting to meet each student's unique intellectual, emotional, social, physical, and spiritual needs. Our goal is to foster competent, responsible, and independent citizens who are innovative problem solvers. At Compass Montessori, students will learn to respect themselves, other people, and the environment.*

*In addition, we will strive to instill a life-long love of learning in every student using genuine Montessori methodologies and Montessori trained Teachers.*

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Dear Compass Montessori School Families,

This spring, all students in grades 3 through 8 are scheduled to take the state English Language Arts (ELA) and Math tests called the Colorado Measures of Academic Success (CMAS).

In addition, students in grade 4 at our Wheat Ridge campus are scheduled to take the CMAS Social Studies test (per the state's sampling calendar), while students in grades 5 (at both campuses), 8 and 11 are scheduled to take the CMAS Science test.

Students in grades 9 and 10 are only scheduled to take the Preliminary SAT (PSAT) in both English Language Arts and Math.

Students in grade 11 are scheduled to take the CMAS Science test and the SAT.

We have worked very hard this winter to build a schedule that limits the time our students will be testing, shortening this spring's assessment window by several weeks when compared to past years. This spring, we will be proctoring these year-end assessments between March 19-April 17. Students will be in class, as normal, when not testing.

Should you wish for your child to not participate in any or all of the above tests, you need to notify the Main Office at the campus on which your child is enrolled, in writing, of your intent. This formal request must come from a parent or guardian of record, and not the student themselves.

Please note:

- We use the information gathered from these assessments to inform schoolwide and classroom-based decision making.
- By excluding your student from these assessments, neither you, your student, or the school will be provided information about performance and growth on State standards.
- As required by the Colorado Department of Education, your student's test will be coded as Parent Refusal. No scores will be calculated for your student.
- This request applies only to your student not participating in this year's state assessments. If your request involves matters beyond taking these assessments, they will be considered to the extent that they comply with district, state, and federal policies, rules, and statutes.
- The percentage of our eligible students who opt out of testing does affect our composite rating with the state of Colorado each year and, depending on the total number, could jeopardize our standing relative to compliance to state expectations as a public school of Jefferson County.

Feel free to contact us with any questions.

Thank you,

Seth D. Webb & Cameron Gehlen  
Compass Montessori School

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
					Early Release Day	
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
	Math 1 WR - 3rd, 4th (8:15am-9:20am) 5th Grade (9:30am-11:00am)	Math 2 WR - 3rd, 4th (8:15am-9:20am) 5th Grade (9:30am-11:00am)	Math 3 WR - 3rd, 4th (8:15am-9:20am) 5th Grade (9:30am-11:00am)	ELA 1 WR - 3rd, 4th (8:15am-9:45am) 5th Grade (9:50am-11:00am)	ELA 2 WR - 3rd, 4th (8:15am-9:45am) 5th Grade (9:50am-11:00am)	
	Math 1 WR 6th Grade	Math 2 WR 6th Grade	Math 3 WR 6th Grade	ELA 1 WR 6th Grade	ELA 2 WR 6th Grade	
25	26		28	29	30	31
Spring Break - No School						

WR Morning Session  
 WR Afternoon Session

GD Morning Session  
 GD Afternoon Session

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	
	Math 1 GD 3-5th grade 8:15am - 9:20am 6th 8th Grade 9:30am - 10:35am	Math 2 GD 3-5th grade 8:15am - 9:20am 6th 8th Grade 9:30am - 10:35am	Math 3 GD 3-5th grade 8:15am - 9:20am 6th 8th Grade 9:30am - 10:35am	ELA 1 GD 3-5th grade 8:15am - 9:20am 6th 8th Grade 9:30am - 10:35am	ELA 2 GD 3-5th grade 8:15am - 9:20am 6th 8th Grade 9:30am - 10:35am	
	Math 1 7th Grade 12:30 -	Math 2 7th Grade 12:30 -	Math 3 7th Grade 12:30 -	ELA 1 7th Grade 12:30 -	ELA 2 7th Grade 12:30 -	
	<b>9</b>	<b>10 SAT</b>	<b>11 PSAT 10</b>	<b>12 PSAT 9</b>	<b>13</b>	
	ELA 3 GD 3-5th grade 8:15am - 9:20am 6th 8th Grade 9:30am - 10:35am		ELA 3 WR - 3rd, 4th (8:15am-9:45am) 5th Grade (9:50am-11:00am)	Social Studies 1,2 WR 4th grade (8:15am-11:30am) Science 1 & 2 5th Grade (same time)	Science 1 GD 5th & 8th grade 8:15am - 9:45am	
	ELA 3 7th Grade 12:30 -		ELA 3 WR 6th Grade	Social Studies 3 WR 4th grade (8:15am-9:45am) Science 3 5th Grade (same time)	Science 1 11th Grade 12:30 -	
	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>	
	Science 2 GD 5th & 8th grade 8:15am - 9:45am	Science 3 GD 5th & 8th grade 8:15am - 9:45am				
	Science 2 11th Grade 12:30 -	Science 3 11th Grade 12:30 -				
	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>	

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