

April 24, 2019

Dear LaVenture Family/Guardian:

This spring, your student will take the Smarter Balanced tests in math and English language arts. Students in grade 8 will also take the Washington Comprehensive Assessment of Science (WCAS).

This is the fifth year our state will administer the Smarter Balanced tests and the second year for the WCAS. The results from these tests will give a more accurate picture of whether students are on track to be ready for college or career.

Most students will take the tests online. LVMS students will take the tests throughout the month of May. We have adjusted the Green Day/White Day schedule to allow students the opportunity to take the assessments in their typical classroom setting with minimal disruptions to the rest of the school day. Our full spring assessment calendar is available on page 2 of this letter.

For more information about the <u>Smarter Balanced</u> tests, visit: www.k12.wa.us/smarter
To try out an online <u>Smarter Balanced</u> practice test, visit: https://wa.portal.airast.org/training-tests.stml

For more information about the <u>WCAS</u>, visit: http://www.k12.wa.us/Science/Assessments.aspx To try out a <u>WCAS</u> training test, visit: https://wa.portal.airast.org/training-tests.stml

Please call or email Mr. Riddle and Ms. Mauro if you have questions about state testing.

Thank you for continuing to work with us to make sure your student is successful. Please let us know if there is anything we can do to better support your student. We want your student to leave us with a solid foundation of skills and a future full of opportunities.

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Mr. Riddle

LVMS 2018-2019 SPRING ASSESSMENT CALENDAR

Monday, April 29	Tuesday, April 30	Wednesday, May 1	Thursday, May 2	Friday, May 3
WCAS Grade 8 Start	WCAS Grade 8 Finish	WCAS Grade 8 Start	WCAS Grade 8 Finish	NO TESTING
Monday, May 6	Tuesday, May 7	Wednesday, May 8	Thursday, May 9	Friday, May 10
NO TESTING	ELA CAT Start	ELA CAT Finish	ELA CAT Start	ELA CAT Finish
Monday, May 13	Tuesday, May 14	Wednesday, May 15	Thursday, May 16	Friday, May 17
ELA PT Start	ELA PT Finish	ELA PT Start	ELA PT Finish	NO TESTING
Monday, May 20	Tuesday, May 21	Wednesday, May 22	Thursday, May 23	Friday, May 24
Make ups	Make ups Make ups		Make ups	Make ups
Monday, May 27	Tuesday, May 28	Wednesday, May 29	Thursday, May 30	Friday, May 31
No School	Math CAT Start(Algebra & Geometry test beyond class period w/teacher breaks)	Math CAT Finish	Math PT Start(Algebra & Geometry test beyond class period w/teacher breaks)	Math PT Finish
Monday, June 3	Tuesday, June 4	Wednesday, June 5	Thursday, June 6	Friday, June 7
Make ups	Make ups	Make ups	Make ups	Make ups

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