



Hillcrest Middle School

SUMTER SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Dear Parent or Guardian,

The statewide End-of-Course Examination Program (EOCEP) assessment will occur at the end of this semester for your child as a result of their enrollment in: Algebra 1, Biology 1, English 2 and/or United States History and the Constitution. The EOCEP encourages instruction in the specific standards for the courses, inspires student achievement, and documents the level of students' mastery of the academic standards. To meet federal and state accountability requirements, the EOCEP must be administered to all public school students enrolled in the above listed courses, including those students as required by the federal Individuals with Disabilities Education Improvement Act (IDEA) and by Title 1 of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA). The South Carolina Department of Education directs school districts to facilitate onsite testing consistent with all test administration procedures and requirements for test security, validity, and reliability.

Please refer to the information below regarding testing at Hillcrest Middle School.

TEST	DATE	START TIME
<i>Algebra 1</i>	May 24, 2022	9:00am

Student attendance during testing is highly encouraged. Please have your child at school on time each day. Doctor appointments and other out of school functions should not be scheduled on testing days. Please also make sure your child gets adequate sleep and has a good breakfast on testing days to ensure a successful testing experience.

SCPASS and SC Ready will provide important information regarding how your child is progressing at his/her current grade level. Test scores will indicate which important skills, abilities, and knowledge your student has now, and it will determine which ones need to be learned for school success in the future. Results will help your child's teacher understand where your child is succeeding, as well as where extra help or academic focus is needed. Please make sure your child's Chromebook is charged each night before testing. During testing, students are not permitted to have any electronic devices that can be used for communicating, timing, creating images, or scoring images. All electronic devices will be collected prior to testing and returned once testing is complete for that day. We need your support to ensure that your child is present, on time each day, and alert to do his/her best on their tests. At Hillcrest Middle School, we want all students to be successful. We appreciate your cooperation and support.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Tarsha B. Staggers, Ed.S
Principal

Vision: Sumter School District is committed to educating, empowering, and enriching the lives of all students to reach their full potential.

Mission: Sumter School District is committed to providing a safe, nurturing, and high-quality educational environment that supports diversity and equips students for local and global success.

Sumter School District is an equal opportunity employer.