



CHULA VISTA ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Dear Parent/Guardian,

Thank you for your continued patience as we adapt our regular school practices and procedures to accommodate the many challenges presented by the pandemic. Parents, students, and teachers have stepped up in heroic ways and the Chula Vista Elementary School District (CVESD) has had a great transition to the Hybrid Instructional Model.

Each year in the Spring, our District provides the California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress (CAASPP) statewide assessments in English Language Arts (ELA) and Mathematics to students in Grades 3-8 and Grade 11. These assessments consist of the Smarter Balanced Assessments for ELA and Mathematics; the California Science Test (CAST); and the California Alternate Assessments (CAAs) in ELA, Mathematics, and Science (administered to students whose active Individualized Education Programs designates the use of an alternate assessment).

In March, the California State Board of Education took action to provide districts with flexibility in meeting the state assessment requirements. California school districts are required to administer the statewide summative assessments except in any instances where the district concludes it is not viable to administer these assessments because of the local conditions. Due to viability concerns (access to Broadband/WiFi, utilizing the Secure Browser, the recent return to Hybrid Model, and more) in administering the CAASPP assessments, CVESD has elected to utilize its local assessments in ELA and Mathematics.

CVESD students who are eligible for the Smarter Balanced Assessments for ELA and Mathematics (Grades 3-6) will take the Achieve3000 LevelSet for ELA and the i-Ready Diagnostic Assessment for Mathematics. It is important to note that both assessments are already a key part of your child's instructional program; students have taken beginning-of-year and mid-year versions of the assessments. This end-of-year assessment will provide your child's results in both ELA and Mathematics. You will receive these results with your child's quarter four report card. The CAST and CAAs for ELA/Math/Science will not be administered this school year.

There are many ways to measure student learning, and the end-of-year assessments are only one of them. They are not meant to tell the whole story, but when combined with other factors, like report card grades and teacher input, it will give families a more complete picture of their child's learning so that they can partner with teachers in the months ahead. If you have any questions, please contact your child's principal.

In partnership,

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Superintendent

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