



PLEASE READ TO 4th PERIOD STUDENTS MONDAY, APRIL 7, 2025

TESTING SCHEDULE

- All students will test in English Language Arts and Math starting Tuesday, April 29th. All tests are WEB-BASED through a secure browser on your chromebook. Your teacher will review and post the SBAC Testing Calendar for you.
- All 8th graders will take the CAST or California Science Test the week of May 12th. These are very important to our scores which we post to show how ready you are for high school.
- We will be on a Regular Day Schedule, but modified to accommodate students who need EXTRA TIME and make-ups.
- Students are expected to do their very best on the test at all times. If students do not finish their test, they will have the opportunity to finish their test if extra time is needed. Please see the schedule for EXTRA TIME.
- This SBAC test is aligned to the California Common Core standards, which are intended to challenge you. Answers are beyond multiple choices. State your CLAIM, cite the EVIDENCE you are given, and connect both through sound REASONING to base your responses.
- Usage of high-level academic language and VOCABULARY is strongly encouraged to show deep understanding of a concept.
- Know the PAUSE RULES to allow you to get the maximum points possible. Strategically pausing your test WITHIN A SEGMENT will allow you to return to the last page of questions you have not interacted with yet.
- Typing or spelling is not being tested, your responses are. Do your BEST to answer all the questions. It is not a timed test.
- If you finish your test early, close your Chromebook. You are expected to do a QUIET activity until the testing period is over to respect the students who are still working.
- Students will follow the same RESTROOM / classroom procedures for testing.
- HEADPHONES must be worn during the entire test in ELA, Math, and Science. Students may not use their own headphones or earbuds during testing.
- ELECTRONIC, bluetooth, or wireless devices of any type; cell phones, smart watches, or earbuds MAY NOT BE USED at any time during testing. Cell phones must be turned off until the testing session has ended. All cell phones will be stored in backpacks in front of the classroom. No exceptions.
- To help keep you FOCUSED, students will be expected to keep working through the entire testing block. Stay focused; keep your head in the game.

BELL SCHEDULE

- There will be no bells during testing to maintain a focused and quiet testing environment.
- Utilize the testing calendar to know when you'll be expected to test.
- Please be mindful and respectful of students testing during this block of time. Students will be expected to move quietly and quickly to their next class.

ATTENDANCE INCENTIVES

- This test impacts you, your family, and your school. Take pride by doing your best. You have been working hard all year and this is your time to shine! Being here every day is important to your success!
- Prize giveaways for students who are:
 - At school **EVERYDAY** on testing days;
 - **ON TIME** to class on testing days;
 - **SHOW PROOF** of TEST STRONG! strategies when taking the test.
- Students can earn up to 3 tickets a day. Drop off your tickets in the prize boxes in the Quad during lunch or in the Front Office after school.

**NEVER HIDE THAT BULLDOG PRIDE!
WE WILL TEST STRONG! AT FERN BACON MIDDLE SCHOOL**