

# INFORMATION TO PARENTS REGARDING UPCOMING STATE ASSESSMENTS

Westminster Public Schools, along with other districts across the state, have been preparing students for the online assessment program named PARCC (Partnership for Assessment of Readiness for College and Careers) and CMAS (Colorado Measures of Academic Success). This is the third year of the PARCC and CMAS state assessment implementation. The PARCC assessment measures our learners' progress within the Common Core State Standards for Math and English Language Arts (ELA) with a focus on critical thinking and problem solving while CMAS measures knowledge in Science and Social Studies.

Your child's attendance is very important throughout the school year, but equally as important during these testing windows. We ask that you please be mindful of these dates and times, as you schedule appointments or vacations for your family.

As we learn about PARCC, we have found some valuable resources for educators, parents, and learners. Please take the time to visit <http://www.parcconline.org/for-parents>.

The below grade levels will be tested in the following areas:

## Elementary School PARCC and CMAS Session Times in Minutes

Elementary School Sessions	April 18-20			April 11-14				April 18-20		
	PARCC Unit 1	PARCC Unit 2	PARCC Unit 3	PARCC Unit 1	PARCC Unit 2	PARCC Unit 3	PARCC Unit 4	CMAS Unit 1	CMAS Unit 2	CMAS Unit 3
Grade 3 ELA	90	75	90							
Grade 3 Math				60	60	60	60			
Grade 4 ELA	90	90	90							
Grade 4 Math				60	60	60	60			
Grade 4 Social Studies								80	80	80
Grade 5 ELA	90	90	90							
Grade 5 Math				60	60	60	60			
Grade 5 Science								80	80	80

### Middle School PARCC and CMAS Session Times in Minutes

Middle School Sessions	<i>April 11-13</i>			<i>April 18-20</i>			<i>April 18-20</i>		
	PARCC Unit 1	PARCC Unit 2	PARCC Unit 3	PARCC Unit 1	PARCC Unit 2	PARCC Unit 3	CMAS Unit 1	CMAS Unit 2	CMAS Unit 3
Grade 6 ELA	110	110	90						
Grade 6 Math				80	80	80			
Grade 7 ELA	110	110	90						
Grade 7 Math				80	80	80			
Grade 7 Social Studies							80	80	80
Grade 8 ELA	110	110	90						
Grade 8 Math				80	80	80			
Grade 8 Science							80	80	80