

March 31, 2021

Dear SLMS Seventh Grade Parents,

You have received this message because we have important information to share with you related to the STAAR Writing 7 assessment, which, depending upon whether your child is an online or face-to-face student, is either next week or the following week. Please read below for the specific information related to your child, based on his/her method of instruction (either online or face-to-face). If your child is an online student who is not participating in the STAAR administration, your child is expected to attend his/her normal online classes with their regular teacher on the day we administer the STAAR Writing 7 assessment to our online students. While other district middle schools may be leveraging asynchronous days available to them, SLMS is not.

Face to Face Students – STAAR Writing 7 is Tuesday, April 6

- Even though your child attends SLMS in-person (F2F), the assessment will be administered at Sugar Land MS via the STAAR online platform (i.e. via district laptops).
- District laptops will be furnished for students who do not already have a district device issued to them. Students who have a district device issued to them need to bring it with them to school that day
- Students will need a set of *wired* earbuds (not air pods or wireless ear buds)
- Students will need to bring a sack lunch from home, or be prepared to receive a sack lunch from the cafeteria

Online Students – STAAR Writing 7 is Tuesday, April 13 (at SLMS)

- District laptops will be furnished for students who do not already have a district device issued to them. Students who have a district device issued to them need to bring it with them to school that day
- Students will need a set of *wired* earbuds (not air pods or wireless ear buds)
- Students will need to bring a sack lunch from home, or be prepared to receive a sack lunch from the cafeteria
- Students will be picked up by a parent when they are through with their STAAR assessment. Therefore, parents need to be ready to receive a message from their child indicating they are ready to be picked up
- Students not participating in the STAAR Writing 7 are expected to attend their normal online classes with their regular teacher

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