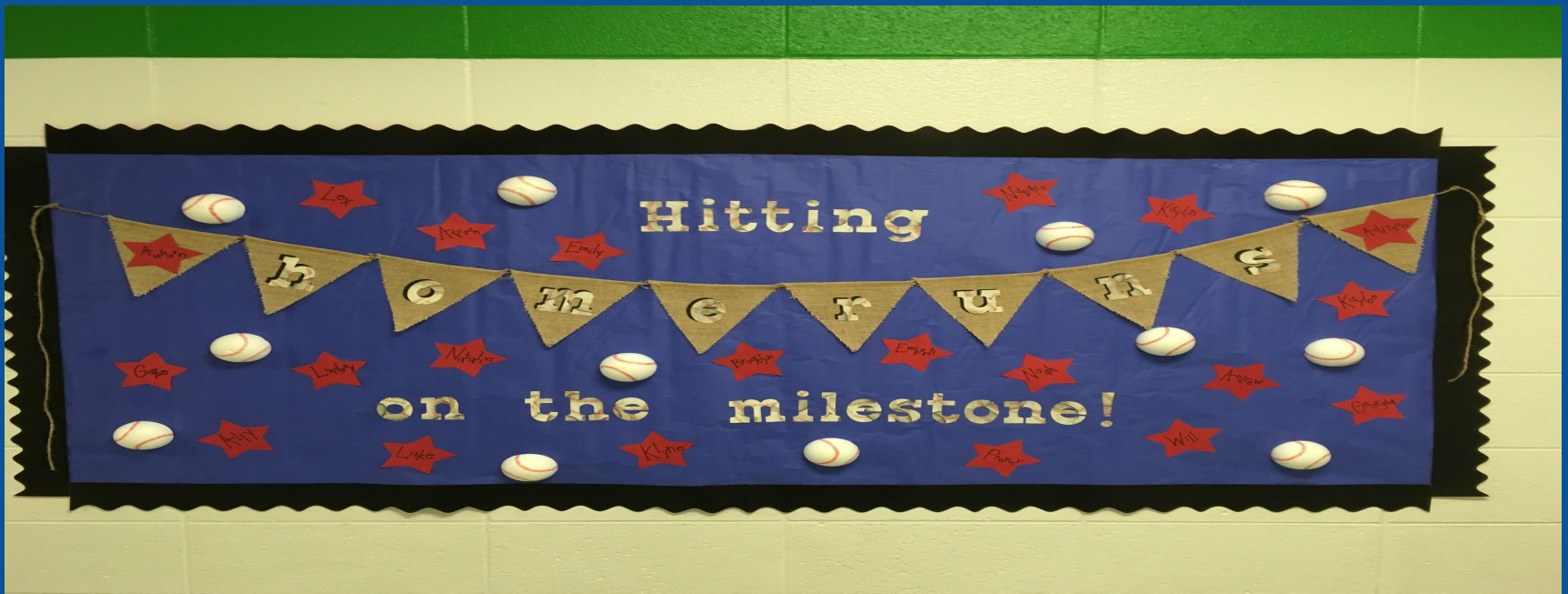


Woodstation Elementary

Georgia Milestones Information for 2018-2019





Woodstation Elementary- Best Place on Earth!

Every Child, Every Day, Without Exception

Mission and PBIS Statement:

Woodstation Elementary develops **every child** to be lifelong learners who are Respectful, Responsible, Resourceful, Motivated, and Prepared.

Vision Statement:

Woodstation Elementary will prepare **every child** to reach their full potential, so they graduate prepared to be good citizens and leaders of the future.

Woodstation Elementary

TEST DATES:



Date:

Subject:

Section:

- | | | |
|-----------------------|---------------------------------------|-------|
| • Monday, April 22 | ELA (Writing) | 1 |
| • Tuesday, April 23 | ELA | 2 & 3 |
| • Wednesday, April 24 | Math | 1 & 2 |
| • Thursday, April 25 | Science (5 th only) | 1 & 2 |
| • Friday, April 26 | Social Studies (5 th only) | 1 & 2 |
| • April 30th -May 3rd | Make-up Testing | |
| • May 20 - May 21 | Retakes | |

Milestones ELA



<u>Grade</u>	<u>Domains</u>
3rd Grade	49% Reading and Vocabulary 46% Writing and Language
4th Grade	36% Reading and Vocabulary 38% Writing and Language
5th Grade	59% Reading and Vocabulary 45% Writing and Language

Milestones Math



Grade

Domains

3rd Grade

58% Operations and Algebraic Thinking

59% Numbers and Operations

48% Measurement and Data

51% Geometry

4th Grade

45% Operations and Algebraic Thinking

51% Numbers and Operations base 10

29% Numbers and Operations- Fractions

49% Measurement and Data

40% Geometry

5th Grade

50% Operations and Algebraic Thinking

36% Numbers and Operations base 10

29% Numbers and Operations- Fractions

27% Measurement and Data

57% Geometry

Milestones Science



Grade

5th Grade

Domains

56% Earth Science

51% Life Science

57% Physical Science

Milestones Social Studies



Grade

5th Grade

Domains

41% History

41% Geography

56% Government/Civics

Georgia Milestones



- **Features include:**
 - inclusion of **constructed-response items** in ELA and mathematics, in addition to selected-response items
 - inclusion of a **writing** component (in response to text) at every grade level and course within the ELA assessment;
 - inclusion of **norm-referenced items** in every grade and content area to complement the criterion-referenced information and to provide a national comparison; and there are approximately 20 norm-referenced test questions on each subject test.

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Comprehensive

- single program, not series of tests (e.g., CRCT; EOCT; WA); formative assessment tools to complement summative

Coherent

- consistent expectations and sufficient challenge to position Georgia students to compete with peers nationally and internationally
- consistent signal about student preparedness for the next level, be it the next grade, course, or college/career
- consistent signal about student achievement both within system (across grades and courses) and with external measures (NAEP; PSAT; SAT; ACT)

Consolidated

- combine reading, language arts, and writing into a single measure to align to the standards

Woodstation's Plan



At Woodstation this year (2018-2019) we are testing all students online.

- **We have one to one technology which will help with test administration.**

Georgia Milestones: Unique Features

Features include:

- inclusion of constructed-response (**short answer**) items in ELA and mathematics, in addition to selected-response items (**multiple choice**)
- inclusion of a writing component (in response to text) at every grade level and course within the ELA assessment



Georgia Milestones

It is important to remember that Georgia Milestones is primarily a criterion-referenced test, reflecting the content standards for each grade and course

Woodstation Elementary School teachers teach the Georgia state-adopted content standards.



Georgia Milestones: Unique Features

Item Types:

- **Selected-Response** (multiple-choice)
 - all content areas (Math, ELA, Reading, Science, and Social Studies)
 - evidence-based selected response in ELA
- **Constructed-Response** – is a general term for assessment items that require the student to generate a response as opposed to selecting a response.
 - ELA and Mathematics
- **Extended-Response** – require more elaborate answers and explanations of reasoning. They allow for multiple correct answers and/or varying methods of arriving at the correct answer. Writing prompts and performance tasks are examples of extended-response items
 - ELA and Mathematics



Multiple Choice : Example

Which fraction is largest? B is the correct answer

☐ A $\frac{1}{4}$

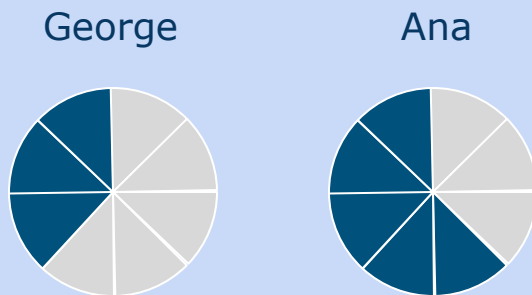
☒ B $\frac{1}{2}$

☐ C $\frac{1}{6}$

☐ D $\frac{1}{3}$

Constructed Response: Example

George and Ana each had a 12-inch pizza. Both pizzas were split into 8 equal pieces. The shaded pieces are the portion of their pizzas that George and Ana ate.



Express in fractions how much pizza George and Ana ate. Use the symbol $<$, $=$, or $>$ to show who ate more pizza.

George

$$\frac{5}{8}$$

$>$

Ana

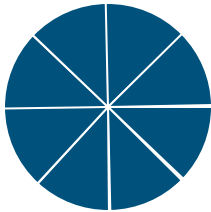
$$\frac{3}{8}$$



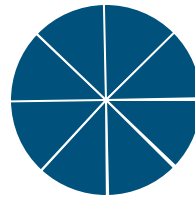
Constructed Response: Example

George has a 12-inch pizza. Ana has a 9-inch pizza. George and Ana both ate $\frac{1}{2}$ of their pizza. George says he ate more than Ana. Is George right? Explain why or why not.

George

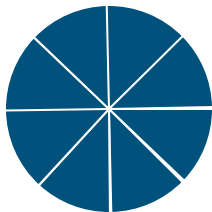


Ana

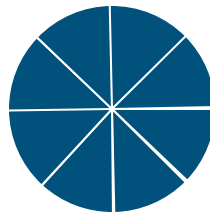


George is right. His pizza was bigger so $\frac{1}{2}$ of a bigger pizza is more than $\frac{1}{2}$ of a smaller pizza.

George



Carlos



Carlos has a 12-inch pizza. He ate $\frac{1}{4}$ of his pizza. Did George or Carlos eat more pizza? Explain your answer.

George ate more pizza. Their pizzas are the same size. $\frac{1}{2}$ of the pizza is more than $\frac{1}{4}$ of the pizza.

Georgia Milestones



General Test Parameters

- ELA will consists of 3 sections, 1 of which will focus mainly on writing
(1 writing section on the first day and 2 sections the next day)
- Mathematics will consist of 2 sections
- Science will consist of 2 sections (5th grade only)
- Social Studies will consist of 2 sections
(5th grade only)

Each section will be approximately 70 minutes.

Georgia Milestones



General Test Parameters: **ELA**

Criterion-Referenced

Total Number of Items: 44 / Total Number of Points: 55

Breakdown by Item Type:

- 40 Selected Response (worth 1 point each; 10 of which are aligned NRT)
- 2 Constructed Response (2 points each)
- 1 Constructed Response (worth 4 points)
- 1 Extended Response (worth 7 points)

Norm-Referenced

- Total Number of Items: 20 (10 of which contribute to CR score)

Embedded Field Test

- Total field test items: 6

**Total number of items taken by
each student: 60**

Georgia Milestones



Writing at Every Grade

- All students will encounter a constructed-response item allowing for narrative prose, in response to text, within first or second section of the test (contributes to the writing score).
- Within the writing section of the test, students will read a pair of passages and complete a series of “warm-up” items:
 - 3 selected-response items asking about the salient features of each passage and comparing/contrasting between the two passages
 - 1 constructed-response item requiring linking the two passages
 - 1 writing prompt in which students must cite evidence to support their conclusions, claims, etc.

Georgia Milestones



General Test Parameters: **Mathematics**

Criterion-Referenced

Total Number of Items: 53 / Total Number of Points: 58

Breakdown by Item Type:

- 50 Selected Response (worth 1 point each; 10 of which are aligned NRT)
- 2 Constructed Response (worth 2 points each)
- 1 Constructed Response (worth 4 points)

Norm-Referenced

- Total Number of Items: 20 (10 of which contribute to CR score)

Embedded Field Test

- Total field test items: 10

**Total number of items taken by
each student: 73**

Georgia Milestones



General Test Parameters: **Science**

Criterion-Referenced

Total Number of Items: 55 / Total Number of Points: 55

Breakdown by Item Type:

- 55 Selected Response (worth 1 point each; approximately 10 of which are aligned NRT)

Norm-Referenced

- Total Number of Items: 20 (approximately 10 of which contribute to CR score)

Embedded Field Test

- Total field test items: 10

**Total number of items taken by
each student: 75**

Georgia Milestones



General Test Parameters: **Social Studies**

Criterion-Referenced

Total Number of Items: 55 / Total Number of Points: 55

Breakdown by Item Type:

- 55 Selected Response (worth 1 point each; approximately 10 of which are aligned NRT)

Norm-Referenced

- Total Number of Items: 20 (approximately 10 of which contribute to CR score)

Embedded Field Test

- Total field test items: 10

**Total number of items taken by
each student: 75**

How is Woodstation preparing your children for the Georgia Milestones?

- Constructive Response (CR) items included in chapter/unit test of all subject areas.
- Teaching specific strategies to answer CR items.
- Milestones Assessment Guides with sample items.
- We use multiple assessments to track student achievement in reading, language, and math.
- We provide instruction using research-based practices.
- We analyze test scores to determine the greatest areas of need before we plan instruction.
- We provide test-taking tips to the students.
- Daily interventions (45 minutes Reading and 30 minutes of Math)



Assessments



Past Assessments

STAR Reading Assessment

STAR Math Assessment

Lexia, Symphony, IXL, EasyCBM, and other educational programs

Student Incentives

Making Learning FUN!



- **Celebrations**
- **Renaissance House Parties**
- **General Bucks (school-wide) Star Bucks (Classroom)**
- **Star and Honor Roll Bulletin Boards**
- **Renaissance Assemblies**
- **Opportunity to enter writing contests- Young Georgia Authors Contest**

For Parents



- Make sure you have routines in place that support completion of homework and studying.
- Help your child establish good attendance habits.
- Be aware of how your child is doing in school- what do they not know that is expected by this time in a school year? (Multiplication facts or parts of speech)
- Make school a priority as you schedule other family events. Your attitude toward school will greatly impact your child's attitude!

Test Taking Strategies

RELAXED



- **R**ead the question carefully then reread the passage or problem to find the right answer.
- **E**xamine every answer choice before you choose your answer.
- **L**abel your answer in the passage leave the hard ones for last.
- **A**lways check your work and answer sheet.
- **X**-out (eliminate) answers that cannot be right.
- **E**xceptional effort- give a “Woodstation Generals” try.
- **D**on’t spend too much time on one question. Don’t doubt yourself!

How can YOU Help prepare your child for the Georgia Milestones?

Parent Responsibility:

- Make sure your child gets plenty of rest the night before testing.
- Eat a healthy breakfast at home or make sure your child eats at school.
- Have your child dress in comfortable clothes and shoes on test days.
- **PLEASE BE ON TIME FOR SCHOOL!!!**

Student Responsibility:

- Relax
- Check over completed work
- Think before answering
- Try hard. Do your best
- Don't rush to finish
- Listen carefully and follow directions



Everyone Needs to Eat a Healthy Breakfast!

Eating Breakfast will Energize your Child for Testing

Provide your child with a variety of healthy food items to start their day:

Whole Grains - Whole wheat bread, oatmeal

Protein - Eggs, lean meat, nuts, peanut butter

Fresh Fruits - Grapes, berries, banana, apple

Dairy - Yogurt, milk, cheese



Practice and Information

Milestones Testing Information:

www.doe.k12.ga.us

- What is the Purpose of Georgia Milestones video
- Parent resources: Georgia Milestones EOG Study/Resource Guides.

Milestones Practice Testing Site:

www.gaexperienceonline.com

(See instruction sheet)



QUESTIONS?

