

Green Hope High School 1st Semester Testing and Exam Overview

DATES: JAN $11^{TH} - 15^{TH}$

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Intro

Testing and exams look a little different this year, and we know our students and families have concerns. We understand those concerns and hope this presentation addresses them. We want to encourage students to come to school to take state exams. Please remember that teacher made exams are not required and will be administered remotely. **Dr Hedrick**





Testing and Exam Schedule Info

Testing Schedule

January 11th: 1st Period Final Exams January 12th: 2nd Period Final Exams January 13th: 3rd Period Final Exams January 14th: 4th Period Final Exams January 15th : Make-Up Testing

Morning (EOCs/CTE Post Assessments) on campus Afternoon (Teacher-Made Exams) virtual For full schedule and notes, please click <u>here</u>

Jan. 15th: Make-Up Testing

7:25 - 11:45 EOCs / CTE Post Assessments (On Campus)

7:25 - 11:45 Teacher-Made Exams (Virtual/Remote)

Our Testing Coordinator, Seth Hardison (<u>shardison@wcpss.net</u>), will schedule make-up EOC/CTE Post Assessments.



EOC and CTE Post Assessment Info

How Grading Works: EOC/CTE Post Assessments

- NC Dept of Public Instruction has provided districts with ability to adjust scoring scale for state tests for 2020-21 school year.
- WCPSS has implemented the following scale:
 - Minimum Score of 60: The grading scale will include a minimum score of 60, thus no student will fail a course as a direct result of their score
 - $\circ~$ EOCs and CTE Post Assessments are 20% of the grade
 - (please continue to next slide for more info on how grading works)

How Grading Works: EOC/CTE Post Assess (cont)

- State Exam Score Only Improves Course Avg: If the score on the state exam is lower than the avg of 1st & 2nd qtr, student's exam score will be curved to equal course avg. Ex: if student has 90% 1st qtr & 96% 2nd qtr, student earns 93% for final grade. If student's state exam score is below 93%, state exam score will be curved to 93% so that student earns 93% for course. If student's state exam score is higher than course avg, exam score improves final grade.
- Transcript: Original EOC scale score, achievement level and percentile will be printed on student's transcript in Testing Results section, and not in the Quarter grades or Exam Grade section

EOC/CTE Post Assessments: More Info

- State EOCs / CTE Post Assessments will be administered for all students enrolled in a course that requires an End-Of-Course Test or CTE Post Assessment.
- EOCs and CTE Post Assessments will be administered on campus.
- Senior Exemptions <u>Do Not</u> apply to EOCs/CTE Post Assessments.
- If a student has a documented medical reason for not taking a State Test, a medical exemption form can be completed. Please contact our testing coordinator, Seth Hardison (<u>shardison@wcpss.net</u>)

End-Of-Course/CTE Post Assessments: Incompletes

- Students who don't take a State Test and have not submitted a Medical Exemption form will receive an incomplete (INC) for the course.
- Students who don't take a State Test and haven't submitted a medical exemption receive an incomplete (INC)
- Students must take the test prior to the end of the school year to remove the INC from their transcript
- INC on a course in a Quarter impacts Driver Eligibility and Athletic Eligibility

EOC/CTE Post Assessments: Senior Exemptions

There is no senior exemption for EOC or CTE Post Assessments.

Testing and Electronics

- According to North Carolina Testing Policy, students are not allowed to bring their own electronic devices (other than approved calculators) into the testing room at any time during State Testing, including breaks.
- Any student with a cell phone/electronic device during the testing period may be dismissed from the testing site, and a misadministration may be declared for the student.
- Examples (not limited to) phones, airpods, smart watches, music players, etc.

Testing Devices

- **Students will take EOCs / CTE Post Assessments on school provided devices.**
- We will follow all COVID-19 protocols related to cleaning devices.

After Testing

- Students may leave campus *after* their exam session has been completed. Students must have a completed permission slip signed by a parent/guardian on file and a method of transportation to leave campus (due to teacher by Jan 4, 2020)
- EOC and CTE teachers will post permission slips on their websites.
- Students that remain on campus after testing concludes must remain in their designated study hall/supervised area until 2:18 dismissal and follow all COVID-19 health and social distancing guidelines.



Teacher Made Exam Info

Teacher-Made Exams: How Grading Works

- Teacher Made Exam scores will only be included if it supports a higher final average for the student.
- Teacher Made Exam counts 20% of a student's final grade for the course (1st qtr=40%, 2nd qtr=40%, exam=20%)
- For students who do not take the Teacher Made Exam, their final grade will be the average of the 1st quarter grade (50%) and the 2nd quarter grade (50%)

Teacher Made Exams: More Info

- **Teacher Made Exams will be made available to every student in a course that calls for a Teacher Made Exam.**
- Teacher Made Exams are not required.
- Teacher Made Exams will be held remotely, and students do not come to school to take these exams.
- If absent from Teacher-Made Exam, student is responsible for working with the teacher to schedule the make-up exam.
 Teacher Made Exams that are project based, portfolio or performance-based assessments may be started/completed prior to final exam period.

Teacher Made Exams: Senior Exemptions

Seniors who have a final grade of C or better in a course that does not require a state exam will be considered exempt.
Attendance will not count toward exam exemptions for this school year.



Info For Students Coming On Campus

Designated Entrances

- Students will enter by designated entrances and report to assigned testing locations to maximize social distancing.
- Main Entrance: Bus Riders, Student Drivers, Walkers
- Carpool Entrance: Carpool Riders
- Staff and students will follow all WCPSS COVI-19 protocols, including maintaining social distancing and wearing masks at all times.

Testing Locations

- Students will take EOCs / Post Assessments in small group settings.
- Students will be notified of their testing locations as they arrive for their tests.
- All test administrators and testing locations will follow all COVID-19 protocols related to social distancing and cleaning spaces.



Health Screenings

- ALL students who have an exam on campus must complete the <u>Student</u>
 <u>Accountability and Required Health</u>
 <u>Protocols Form</u>. The form must be completed prior to coming to school.
- Before anyone is allowed to enter a WCPSS facility, school staff will ask them questions from this symptom screening <u>checklist</u>. This applies to everyone.



Transportation

- Bus Transportation will be provided to students during exam week. To ride the bus, students must complete the <u>Online Health</u>
 <u>Attestation Form</u>. (Once completed, this form is good for the remainder of the school year.)
- Buses will follow their normal schedule and will depart Green Hope at 2:18pm.
- If you plan to drive, walk, or carpool to school, please arrive to campus no later than 7:00AM to complete required health screenings and so that GH staff can assist you in finding your testing location.

Breakfast & Lunch (Grab & Go)

- Breakfast and lunch will be provided to students during Exam Week.
- Students will eat in their designated testing locations. The Commons area will not be available for breakfast or lunch.
- Students will remain on campus during their lunch period unless they are leaving campus for the day.



Still have questions?

Additional Questions: Please utilize this <u>form</u>.



If You Have Concerns

Please email Seth Hardison, Test Coordinator:

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