

## HEPHZIBAH COMPREHENSIVE HIGH SCHOOL

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Dear Parents/Guardians:

Your student is scheduled to take the Georgia Milestones on April 21-April 29 which will measure how well they have mastered specific content this year. Our school system is required to administer the test in-person in our schools. This test is one resource that school staff, students and parents review to help determine if a student is experiencing any learning gaps/loss, develop plans to enrich student learning, and identify areas where students are learning at higher levels.

High School students and those students enrolled in American Literature and Composition, Algebra I/Coordinate Algebra, Biology and U.S. History are required to complete an end of course exam. This year, Georgia Milestones end of course exams will count 0.01% towards a student's final grade in the class. If a student does not take the Georgia Milestones End of Course exam, they will receive a zero or incomplete for that portion of their overall grade.

1. Students who have an **excused absence** will get the "I" instead of a zero and must make up the EOC.

2. For students who are in EOC courses, the teacher exam can be exempted by students only if they meet the exemption policy --but they must take the EOC.

EOC Courses	0.01% of the final grade will come from the EOC
American Literature and Composition	+ <u>19.99% of the final grade will come from the teacher exam</u>
Algebra I, Biology, U.S. History	20.00% of the final grade

For the 2020-21 school year, the Georgia Department of Education has implemented a measure to not require virtual students to come to school solely to take the Georgia Milestones. We understand that this is a decision that you will make considering the best interest of your child and family. To allow us to plan accordingly, parents of virtual learners will receive an online survey to advise your school of your plans for your student to take the Georgia Milestones Assessments in-person for the 2020 - 2021 school year. Families choosing to participate in testing will need to arrange transportation to and from school for their student to take the Georgia Milestones.

For more details about the Georgia Milestones, Study and Resource Guides to review before the test, visit rcboe.org/Testing or call Hephzibah High at 706-589-2089.

Sincerely,

Mr. Christopher Nabahe, ED.S Principal