



## Hope Charter Leadership Academy

"Empowering Leaders Today To Change Tomorrow"

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Dear Parent/Guardian of K – 5th grade student(s):

This is a notification regarding Hope Charter's upcoming End of Grade (EOG) testing that will occur during the month of June. In response to legislation passed by the North Carolina General Assembly, the State Board of Education developed EOG's for grades 3-8 in the areas of reading, mathematics, and science (grades 5 - 8). These curriculum-based multiple choice achievement tests are designed to measure student performance on the goals, objectives, and grade-level competencies specified in the North Carolina Standard Course of Study taught during the academic year. The standard for grade-level proficiency, for each EOG assessment, is a test score at or above Achievement Level 3. Additional detailed testing information can be found at <http://www.ncpublicschools.org/accountability/testing/eog/>.

Due to the need to utilize all school personnel, classrooms and spaces for testing, **Kindergarten, First, and Second grade students will have a delayed school start time on Tuesday, June 19 and Wednesday, June 20. On these days, school for Kindergarten – 2<sup>nd</sup> grade students will start at 12:00 p.m. The bus will run two routes on these two days to accommodate K-2 late start arrival.**

Parents and/or guardians of testing students please make every effort to ensure that your child is present for EOG testing and that they get to school on time. Please mark testing dates on your calendar and ensure that no out-of-school appointments are scheduled for those dates. Students should be in their classrooms and seated by 8:00 am. The testing schedule for 3rd, 4th, and 5th grade students are listed below:

- Monday June 18th -- 5th Grade Science EOG only
- Tuesday June 19th -- 3rd, 4th, and 5th Grade English Language Arts/Reading EOG
- Wednesday June 20th -- 3rd, 4th, and 5th Grade Mathematics EOG

In addition parents, please join our school effort in "One Team, One Goal, No Limits" by following and stressing the importance of the following things to our testing students:

1. Arriving to school on time. Students should be in their classrooms and seated by 8:00 am. It is imperative that testing start on time. Students who arrive after testing has started (late) will not be allowed to test.
2. Going to bed no later than 9 pm the night before each EOG test. Getting a good night sleep will ensure that students are alert the next morning and able to maintain stamina during testing.
3. Eating breakfast the morning of each testing day. HCLA will continue to provide breakfast each morning for those students who want to eat at school. Eating a good breakfast the morning of testing will provide students with the energy to keep working hard during lengthy tests. **Please avoid heavy foods that may make them groggy, as well as high sugar foods that may make them hyper.**
4. Providing positive comments to your students each morning to lessen the pressures or anxiety of testing. Telling them "Good luck, I know you will do well," "You got this!" or "You can do it. Remember the strategies your teacher has taught you!". Saying these things will boost your child's confidence and self-esteem before testing.

If you have questions or concerns, please contact Mrs. Cher Perry.

Sincerely,

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