



John Will Elementary School

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Parent Newsletter

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THIRD QUARTER EQTS

End of Quarter tests will be administered this week. Be sure to check with your child's teacher concerning EQT study guides.

TEACHER WORK DAY

School will be closed on Friday, March 13th, due to Teacher Work Day.

PRE-K SCREENING

The PRE-K screening for the upcoming school year will be held on Wednesday, March 25th, from 8:30 AM until 2:00 PM. John Will Elementary will serve as one of the Pre-K screening sites. Parents must bring their photo id and the child's original birth certificate. Students pre-registering for Pre-K must be four-years old on or before Sept. 1, 2020.

ALABAMA COMPREHENSIVE ASSESSMENT PROGRAM (ACAP)

Testing for second through fifth grade students will begin on Monday, April 6th, and will end on Friday, May 1st. Our hope is that our third, fourth, and fifth grade students will do extremely well on each assessment they are given. The assessment will be administered 100% online. The content areas to be addressed are reading, math and language arts. In addition, fourth grade students will be administered an assessment in science. Second grade will complete the assessment, but their results will be used as a baseline for growth opportunities for the upcoming school year.

I've provided a few tips that can help our students become test ready.

- Encourage students to go to bed early so that they will be well-rested the next day.
- Research has found a link between breakfast and student performance. Eating breakfast can help students maintain focus. Students can join us for breakfast from 7:30 AM until 8:00 AM daily.
- Have your child at school on time every day.
- Remind your child of their brilliance and let him/her know that you believe in them before they come to school every day.

OUT OF UNIFORM JACKETS, COATS, AND SWEATERS

Now that we are transitioning into warmer weather, out of uniform jackets, coats, and sweaters will no longer be accepted inside of the buildings. Students were allowed to wear jackets, coats, and sweaters that were out of compliance with our uniform policy in order to ensure that all students would be warm during cold weather. Students wearing out of uniform jackets, coats, and sweaters will be told to take the clothing item off after entering the school.

Upcoming Events:

- End of Third Quarter- Thursday, March 12th
- 4th Quarter Begins- Monday, March 16th
- Report Card Distribution- Monday, March 23rd
- 3rd Quarter Honor's Day Assembly- Thursday, March 26th
- Spring Break- March 30th – April 3rd
- Easter- April 12th

