





Who's Afraid of the Georgia Milestones?

Not Langston Road!





What is the Georgia Milestones?

- A summative exam given in April to third, fourth, and fifth graders.
 - An answer to the rigor concerns of the CRCT.
 - A single test for 3rd through 12th grades.
 - The test lasts for three to six days for approximately two hours per day.
 - Reading, Writing, and Math (3-5), Science and Social Studies (5)
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What is the Georgia Milestones NOT?

- A defining test for your child.
 - Something that they should be afraid of.
 - Unimportant – Many educational decisions are made based on GMAS performance.
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How and when do we take the test?

- All tests will be given online.
 - Fifth grade will take the test April 9-16
 - Third grade will take the test April 17-20
 - Fourth grade will take the test April 23-26
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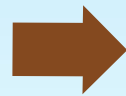
Basically, how is the test scored?

- Level 1 – Beginning Learner
 - This student does not exhibit the expected skills and knowledge in their current grade level.
 - Level 2 – Developing Learner
 - This student exhibits some of the expected skills and knowledge in their current grade level.
 - Level 3 – Proficient Learner
 - This student exhibits the expected skills and knowledge in their current grade level.
 - Level 4 – Distinguished Learner
 - This student exhibits more than the expected skills and knowledge in their current grade level.
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What are gate grades and how do they work?

Students take GMAS.

- Only 3rd and 5th have gate grade subjects.



Basically, if they score a level 1 in a "Gate Area" they must repeat the grade or retest.

- 3rd – Reading/Writing
- 5th – R/W and Math





Get Retest Results! If the student still scores a level 1, we must have a retention meeting and discuss options.

- We will work with you to decide what is best for each individual child.







How did LRES do last year?

- Higher than the state average on all tests.
 - Higher than the RESA district average on all tests.
 - Higher than the system average on all tests.
 - We are a “Beating the Odds” School based on test results.
 - We have A LOT of room to grow, but we did very, very well in our first year out!
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What do we do now?

- Support the instruction going on in your child's classroom.
 - Ensure that homework is being done.
 - Work with students on their typing skills
 - www.typing.com
 - Don't stress or panic!
 - Trust your teachers! They are doing what they should be doing with your students!
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