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Greetings Ivy Family,

As we embark upon the 2021-2022 school year we are preparing to gain valid and reliable data to ensure we meet the individual needs of our scholars. We solicit your assistance in this process and want to ensure you are aware of test dates and have an understanding of the tests your scholars will be administered.

The following test will be administered over the course of the school year (*see calendar for specific dates*):

Assessment	Assessment Type	Grade Levels Assessed	School/State Issued
iReady	Progress Monitoring (Criterion Referenced)	K-8	School
USA Test Prep (Sci & SS)	Benchmark Assessment	K-8	School
SLO (Student Learning Objectives)	Benchmark Assessment	Connections	School
PSAT	Norm Referenced	8th Grade	School
WIDA - ACCESS 2.0	ESOL	K-8	State
*GAA	Alternate Assessment	3-8	State
Georgia Milestones	Comprehensive Summative Assessment	3-8	State
GKIDS 2.0	Progress Monitoring	K	State

***i-Ready*** is a comprehensive assessment and instruction program that provides educators with the resources they need to help all students succeed.

***USA Test Prep*** is a practice test resource providing standards-aligned practice tools for ELA, Math, Science, and Social Studies.

***SLOs (Student Learning Objectives)*** are teacher or school created assessments for courses not subject to annual state assessments (Connections). SLOs are used to improve student performance at the classroom level and provide evidence of each teacher's instructional impact on student learning.

**PSAT** is the Preliminary SAT, also known as the PSAT/NMSQT® (National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test), is a practice version of the SAT exam. The PSAT is 2 hours and 45 minutes long and tests your skills in reading, writing, and math. Unlike the SAT, the highest score possible on the PSAT is 1520.

**WIDA (World- Class Instructional Design and Assessment) Consortium:** The WIDA consortium is a group of states dedicated to the design and implementation of high standards and equitable educational opportunities for English learners.

- **ACCESS 2.0** is the collective name for WIDA's suite of summative English language proficiency assessments.
- **KINDERGARTEN W-APT** the Kindergarten WIDA-ACCESS Placement Test (Kindergarten W-APT) is an English language proficiency screener given to incoming Kindergarteners to identify English language learners (ELLs) based on registration indicators.

**GAA 2.0 (The Georgia Alternate Assessment 2.0)** is a standardized performance assessment intended to provide tiered participation within the assessment for students working at various levels of complexity.

**GEORGIA MILESTONES ASSESSMENT SYSTEM (GMAS)** is a comprehensive summative assessment designed to provide information about how well students are mastering the state-adopted content standards in the core content areas of English language arts, mathematics, science, and social studies.

**Georgia Kindergarten Inventory of Developing Skills 2.0 (GKIDS 2.0)** is a progression-based formative assessment, integrated into classroom work, that is aligned to the Georgia Standards of Excellence (GSE).

All test dates are subject to change. For more information please contact assessment coordinator [bdavis@ivyprepacademy.org](mailto:bdavis@ivyprepacademy.org).

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