Dear Parents and Guardians,

The South Carolina College-and Career-Ready Assessments (SC READY) are statewide assessments in English language arts (ELA) and mathematics, while the SCPASS is a statewide science assessment. SC READY is administered to students in grades 3-8. SCPASS is administered to students in grades 4 and 6.

Students are required to test on-site at their brick-and-mortar schools of enrollment. Remote testing is not available. Students enrolled in the GCS Virtual Program (GCSVP) will participate in testing on the following dates.

Subject	Test Date
ELA Session 1 - Writing (Grades 3-5)	April 29
ELA Session 2 - Reading (Grades 3-5)	April 30
Science (Grade 4 only)	May 6
Mathematics (Grades 3-5)	May 7

<u>GCSVP</u> students should bring their charged district-issued device only on Math and Science testing days. Please have your student turn on their device and log in at home at least one day prior to testing to ensure the Chromebook operates as expected.

Students should be in school uniform- please refer to the AJW website for additional information.

Students will follow all current safety precautions such as wearing masks. Students may bring a book to read after they have completed testing. Please ensure students arrive at school by 8:00 am. Once students arrive, they will be directed to their testing locations. Students who desire to eat breakfast, need to arrive at school by 7:20am. Students will receive lunch, however students can bring their own lunch. The contractor estimates testing to last 2-3 hours, however, the test is untimed and students have the entire school day to complete their test.

If your child has a specific health need (e.g., seizures, asthma, diabetes, food allergies) or will require medication administration on test days, please contact our school nurse Vicki Smith at 864-452-0507 by April 21st. In order to provide your student with required medication/medical procedures, we must have a current authorization form from your child's health care provider dated this school year. All necessary forms can be accessed by contacting the school nurse or on the health services webpage at: https://www.greenville.k12.sc.us/Departments/main.asp?titleid=pershealth.

Students can access the Online Testing Video Tutorials and the Online Tools Training (OTT) modules to become familiar with the online testing system. Although the OTT looks like a real test, there is no score, there is no time limit, and students may use it as many times as they want. The video tutorials and OTT are accessible on the DRC INSIGHT Homepage at <a href="https://wbte.drcedirect.com/SC/portals/sc/">https://wbte.drcedirect.com/SC/portals/sc/</a> (use the Google Chrome browser on a Chromebook or Windows device) - click on the *DRC INSIGHT Online Assessment Tutorial* and the *SC READY/SCPASS Online Tools Training* icons on the lower part of the screen.

To learn more about about the SC READY and SCPASS assessments, please visit the SC Department of Education's website: SC READY - <a href="https://ed.sc.gov/tests/middle/sc-ready/information-for-parents/">https://ed.sc.gov/tests/middle/sc-ready/information-for-parents/</a>
SCPASS - <a href="https://ed.sc.gov/tests/middle/scpass/scpass-information-for-parents/">https://ed.sc.gov/tests/middle/scpass/scpass-information-for-parents/</a>

If you have questions, please do not hesitate to call 864-452-0500.

Sincerely,

Dr. Stevens