



# Surry County Public Schools

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## **SOL Testing Expedited Retake Notification**

Dear Parent or Guardian:

Virginia legislation permits school divisions to provide students in grades three through eight with an opportunity to retake SOL tests they fail by a small margin. In order to be eligible to retake an SOL test, the school must receive permission from students' parent or guardian and the following conditions must be met:

- A student must be passing the class associated with the test, and;
- Failed the test with a score between 375 to 399 (400 and above is passing), or;
- Failed the test by any margin and have extenuating circumstances and receive approval by the Division Superintendent.

Students that meet the conditions noted above will receive one opportunity to retake a failed SOL test. Students whose parents grant permission for them to retake an SOL test will receive instruction for the retake to enhance their chance for success. In deciding whether to grant permission for your child to retake an SOL, please consider that retaking a test provides students an opportunity to build confidence by demonstrating their knowledge of the subject matter. In addition, SOL retakes can assist school staff in determining students' academic strengths and needs, prepare students to improve their performance on future tests, and help schools meet state accreditation standards. Please indicate below how you would like us to proceed should your child be eligible for SOL retakes. Should you have any questions, please contact the school administrator.

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\_\_\_\_\_ Yes, I want my child to retake eligible SOL tests.

\_\_\_\_\_ No, I do not want my child to retake any failed SOL tests.

Your child's name: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade Level: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Sincerely,

**Airon C. Grim, Division Director of Testing**