

**California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress
English, Math, and Science Parent and Guardian Notification Letter**

February 19, 2023

Dear Parent/Guardian:

There are many ways to measure your child's learning. Your child's teacher uses report card grades, classroom work, teacher observations, and end-of-year statewide test results to get a complete picture of your child's learning. Each year, students participate in the California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress (CAASPP).

Your child will take the following tests, depending on their grade level or instructional program:

- Smarter Balanced Summative Assessments for English Language Arts and Math, required tests in grades 3–8
- California Science Test (CAST), a required test in grades 5 and 8

Pursuant to California *Education Code* Section 60615, parents/guardians may annually submit to the school a **written request** to excuse their child from any or all of the CAASPP assessments. This exemption does not exist for the ELPAC or Physical Fitness Test.

For more information on the assessments, please review this [Statewide Testing Notification](#).

This year, **Roseville City School District** will give the summative assessments in-person.

The 2022-2023 testing schedule for the Roseville City School District is listed below:

April 24th - April 28th, 2023: California Science Test (CAST) for grades 5 and 8

May 1st - May 12th, 2023: Smarter Balanced Summative Assessments, ELA and Math

May 15th - May 19th, 2023: Makeup testing

You are an important part of your child's education. To make sure your child feels comfortable taking tests, you can:

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- Explain to your child that these tests are tools to help them learn, and they should not be anxious or scared.
- Explore the practice tests with your child at caaspp.org/practice-and-training/index.html so they can become familiar with the platform and setup of the tests.
- Remind your child that you and their teacher want them to try their best and are there to help, every step of the way.

You will receive your child's results at or before the beginning of the next school year. The results will identify where your child is doing well or needs more help, so you can better support their learning at home and teachers can better support their learning in the classroom.

To learn more about these tests go to the Starting Smarter web page at ca.startingsmarter.org/, or review the Parent Guides to Understanding at cde.ca.gov/ta/tg/ca/parentguidetounderstand.asp.

If you have questions, please don't hesitate to reach out.

Sincerely,

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