



# Amesbury Middle School

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Dear Parents and/or Guardians,

This upcoming April and May, all students in grades 5 through 8 will be taking their MCAS Assessments. Throughout the school year, teachers and students have been covering material that students need to know and be able to do to in order to meet the standards. We would like to share the schedule with you in order to work together to ensure our students have the most optimal testing experience.

## 2020 MCAS Testing Dates

Grade and Subject	Session 1 and Date	Session 2 and Date
5 English/Language Arts	1: Wednesday, April 15	2: Thursday, April 16
5 Mathematics	1: Monday, May 11	2: Tuesday, May 12
5 Science	1: Monday, May 18	2: Tuesday, May 19
6 English/Language Arts	1: Tuesday, April 28	2: Wednesday, April 29
6 Mathematics	1: Thursday, May 14	2: Friday, May 15
7 English/Language Arts	1: Wednesday, April 15	2: Thursday, April 16
7 Mathematics	1: Monday, May 18	2: Tuesday, May 19
8 English/Language Arts	1: Tuesday, April 28	2: Wednesday, April 29
8 Mathematics	1: Monday, May 11	2: Tuesday, May 12
8 Science	1: Thursday, May 14	2: Friday, May 15

Parents/Guardians can help support your child/children feel confident and ready by doing the following:

### Before the MCAS

Access the student practice sites for the TestNav 8 student testing platform and practice tests for the three subject areas being tested (see above). Students are encouraged to practice and navigate these sites to become familiar with test design and available tools on the MCAS Assessment.

<http://mcas.pearsonsupport.com/student/>

<http://mcas.pearsonsupport.com/student/practice-tests-ela/>

<http://mcas.pearsonsupport.com/student/practice-tests-math/>

<http://mcas.pearsonsupport.com/student/practice-tests-science/>

Ensure students are in school over the next three months and not absent on the days scheduled for testing.

### Day of the MCAS

Ensure student(s) get the recommended 8 hours of sleep the night before, arrive to school on time, stay hydrated and eat a nutritious breakfast. The better students feel mentally and physically on the day of testing the better chance they have of performing well.

Thank you in advance for your cooperation and support of your child's education.

Sincerely,

*Michael Curry*

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