



# MONTESANO JUNIOR – SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL

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October 6, 2021

Dear Bulldog Families:

This fall, students in grades 7,8,9,11 and 12 will take the state assessments from the 2020-21 school year. 12th and 11th grade students will take the 10th grade Smarter Balanced or Washington Access to Instruction and Measurement (WA-AIM) tests in math and/or English language arts. Students in 12th grade will take the 11th grade Washington Comprehensive Assessment of Science (WCAS) or the WA-AIM science test. Ninth grade students will take the 8th grade Smarter Balanced or WA-AIM tests in math and English language arts and the 8th grade WCAS or WA-AIM science test. Students in the 7th grade will take the Smarter Balanced Assessments in ELA/Math from the 6th grade. These tests are a brief check-in on student learning from school year 2020-21.

Students had limited in-person time in the classroom and likely experienced fewer opportunities to learn last school year. Last spring’s Smarter Balanced and WCAS testing were postponed to fall as we prioritized critical in-person instruction time for the benefit of students, families, and district staff. The WA-AIM spring 2021 window was extended into fall to allow flexibility for teachers and students, based on student need.

Smarter Balanced and WCAS tests were shortened this fall to ensure that students and teachers would have as much time as possible at the start of school year 2021–22 to establish relationships, routines, and activities.

The results from the 10th grade Smarter Balanced and WA-AIM math and/or English language arts tests provide a picture of whether students across the state are on track to be ready for career or college and can be used as a graduation pathway.

Knowing your student’s achievement level (1 through 4) will provide an important piece of information. As the school year progresses, your student’s teacher will be able to provide more information about your student’s skills in ELA, math, and science. Our school will have access to the Smarter Balanced and WCAS test scores a few days after students complete the tests. WA-AIM scores will be available in late January.

## HIGH SCHOOL/JR HIGH TESTING SCHEDULE

### October 12<sup>th</sup>

#### Junior High

Period 1 Math Testing	8:20-9:30
Period 2	9:35-10:45
Lunch Grade 7	10:45-11:15
Period 3- Grade 7	11:20-12:35
Period 3- Grade 8	10:50-11:25
Lunch Grade 8	11:25-11:55
Period 3- Grade 8	12:00-12:35
Period 4-	12:40-1:50

#### High School

Period 1 Math Testing	8:20-9:30
Period 2	9:35-10:45
Period 3	10:50-12:00
Lunch	12:00-12:30
Period 4	12:35-1:45

### October 13<sup>th</sup>

#### Junior High

Period 1	8:20-9:30
Period 2- English Testing	9:35-10:45
Lunch Grade 7	10:45-11:15
Period 3- Grade 7	11:20-12:35
Period 3- Grade 8	10:50-11:25
Lunch Grade 8	11:25-11:55
Period 3- Grade 8	12:00-12:35
Period 4-	12:40-1:50

#### High School

Period 1	8:20-9:30
Period 2- English Testing	9:35-10:45
Period 3	10:50-12:00
Lunch	12:00-12:30
Period 4	12:35-1:45

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## October 14th

### Junior High

Period 1	8:20-9:30
Period 2-	9:35-10:45
<del>Lunch - Grade 7</del>	<del>10:45-11:15</del>
Period 3- Grade 7	11:20-12:35
Period 3- Grade 8	10:50-11:25
<del>Lunch - Grade 8</del>	<del>11:25-11:55</del>
Period 3- Grade 8	12:00-12:35
Period 4- Science Testing	12:40-1:50

### High School

Period 1	8:20-9:30
Period 2-	9:35-10:45
Period 3	10:50-12:00
Lunch	12:00-12:30
Period 4 Science Testing	12:35-1:45

### Students who will be testing:

7th grade students will be signed up for the 6th grade ELA/Math  
 8th grade students will be signed up for the 7th grade ELA/Math  
 9th grade students will be signed up for the 8th grade ELA/Math/Science  
 Current 10th graders will not be tested  
 11th grade students will be signed up for the 10th grade ELA/Math  
 12th grade students will be signed up for the 10th grade ELA/Math/ and 11th Science

For more information about the Smarter Balanced and WCAS tests, visit: <https://www.k12.wa.us/student-success/testing/state-testing-overview>, and click on the name of the test. To try out an online Smarter Balanced practice test or WCAS training test, visit: <https://wa.portal.cambiumast.com/>.

For more information about the WA-AIM tests, visit: <https://www.k12.wa.us/student-success/testing/state-testing-overview/assessment-students-cognitive-disabilities-wa-aim>.

Please call or email [bhollatz@monteschools.org](mailto:bhollatz@monteschools.org)/360-249-4041 if you have questions about state testing.

Thank you for continuing to work with us to make sure your student is successful. Please let us know if there is anything we can do to better support them. We want your student to leave us with a solid foundation of skills and a future full of opportunities.

Sincerely,

Alec Pugh  
Principal