

30-Day Notice for Statewide Tests 2021-22

Between March and June, Roberts and ECHS will be administering Statewide Tests in compliance with the [Oregon Department of Education](#) requirements to assess students in 6th, 7th, 8th, and 11th grades.

Why the tests are important:

Statewide tests help provide educators and administrators with information about what educational approaches are working and where additional resources are needed.

Testing dates 2021-22:

English language arts & math tests

- Grades 3-8: March 8—June 3, 2022
- Grades 9-12: January 11—June 3, 2022

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Parents are encouraged to read the [2021-22 Annual Notice for Statewide Tests](#) to learn details and to stay informed.

Students across our Middle and High Schools will be provided the opportunity to take statewide assessments both within, and beyond the school day in order to minimize the impact of testing on classes, and ensure efficient and effective testing windows.

Oregon law (ORS 329.479) permits parents and adult students to annually opt-out of Oregon's statewide summative tests in English Language Arts and Math by submitting a form to the school the student attends. Schools will provide parents with the 2021-22 form at least 30 days prior to the start of testing.

Please see the [Parent Request for Exemption from Oregon State Assessments](#) form. If parents/guardians wish to opt-out or exempt their student(s) from state testing, they must download, print, complete, and sign the form(s) and submit the form(s) to the school that their student(s) attends for the appropriate tests.

Facts to consider:

Before submitting a form, please consider these facts:

- State assessments are a measure of student academic achievement related to state academic standards.
- State testing does not in any way negatively impact students regarding their regular academic achievement and/or work at school.
- Results from state assessment help teachers at your student(s) school improve their teaching practices.
- Results are used by school administrators to help teachers adjust instruction to better focus on student academic needs.
- Students do not "pass" or "fail" these assessments. They are simply a measure of academic achievement at specific grade levels to help inform instructional decision-making.



**Parent Request for Exemption from Oregon State Assessments
2021-2022**

*Per OAR 581-022-1910 and the state testing administration manual, parents may request that their student be exempted from certain state tests (OSAS Science, and OSAS English Language Proficiency Assessment) based on either **disability** or **religion**. The parent must submit the request in writing, listing the reasons for the request and proposing an alternative individualized learning activity for the student that meets the same goals that would be accomplished by participating in state testing.*

Please indicate below your reasons for requesting that your student be exempt from state testing, and identify specific test/s, as well as the proposed alternative learning activity.

Student Initials _____ Student District ID _____

Parent signature

Date

Salem-Keizer Public Schools and the signer of this document agree that the electronic signature appearing on this document in the form of a typed full name is the same as a handwritten signature for the purpose of validity, enforceability, and admissibility.