

# Pretty Water Public Schools

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Dear Parents,

March 26, 2019

We will be administering tests for the **Oklahoma State Testing Program (OSTP)** for 3<sup>rd</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup> grades beginning Monday, April 8<sup>th</sup> and ending on Thursday, April 18<sup>th</sup>, 2019. **Please refer to the back of this letter for grade level schedules.**

You can help your son or daughter prepare for the tests in the following ways:

- Be sure your child gets to bed early each night before testing.
- Provide a good breakfast each school morning.
- Be sure your child arrives to school on time.
- Encourage your child to do their very best.
- Help your child understand that the test scores are used to help identify which skills he/she needs help in learning – not for report card grades.

In addition, please send two No. 2 pencils to school on test days.

All students need to be present during testing days. **Please avoid conflicts by scheduling appointments for another time.**

Once a testing session has begun, tardy students will not be allowed to enter the class. They will have to wait until that session is completed. They will have to make-up any missed tests at an alternative time. **Student's names will be entered into a prize drawing for each day they arrive on time during testing.** There will be a prize drawing for grades 3<sup>rd</sup> through 5<sup>th</sup> and grades 6<sup>th</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup>. The drawing will be held at the April Student of the Month assembly on Monday, April 29, 2019.

OSTP Parent, Student and Teacher Guides (PSTG) are available online for grades 4<sup>th</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup>. Directions to access the PSTGs can be found on the back of this letter. If you do not have internet access and would like a paper copy, please contact the school and a paper copy will be provided.

We appreciate your help in doing whatever you can to insure your child's success during the testing process.

Sincerely,

Dr. Jeff Taylor

Standardized Testing Schedule by Grade 2019

**3<sup>rd</sup> grade** will test on 4 days, mornings only:

Boys: Monday, 4/8/19 and Tuesday, 4/9/19. Reading.

Monday, 4/15/19 and Tuesday, 4/16/19. Math.

Girls: Wednesday, 4/10/19 and Thursday, 4/11/19. Reading.

Wednesday, 4/17/19 and Thursday, 4/18/19. Math.

**4<sup>th</sup> grade** will test on 2 days, morning and afternoon:

Tuesday, 4/16/19 Online Reading.

Wednesday, 4/17/18 Online Math.

**5<sup>th</sup> grade** will test on 4 days, morning and afternoon:

Monday, 4/8/19. Online Math.

Tuesday, 4/9/19. Online Reading.

Wednesday, 4/10/19 a.m. Online Writing.

Wednesday, 4/10/19 p.m. and Thursday, 4/11/19 a.m. Online Science.

**6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> grades** will test on 2 days, morning and afternoon:

Monday, 4/8/19. Online Reading.

Monday, 4/15/19. Online Math.

**8<sup>th</sup> grade** will test on 4 days, morning and afternoon:

Tuesday, 4/9/19. Online Math.

Wednesday, 4/10/19. Online Reading.

Thursday, 4/11/19 a.m. Online Writing.

Monday, 4/15/19. Online Science.

**\*\*Students with Individual Education Programs (IEPs)** may test at different schedules than their peers. If your child has an IEP, and will be absent any time during testing, please inquire about their individual schedule to Mrs. Torbett.

To access the Parent, Student, and Teacher Guides (PSTG) go to the Oklahoma State Department Website at:

[sde.ok.gov](http://sde.ok.gov).

Click on *Services; Assessment; Assessment Materials* and find the appropriate grade under the heading *2018-19 OSTP Parent, Student and Teacher Guides (PSTG)*