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Dear Parents,

The Georgia Milestone Assessment System (GMAS) is a more demanding assessment system. The assessment system measures student performance on more rigorous curriculum based on the Georgia Standards of Excellence. The Division of Teaching and Learning is providing academic enrichment tasks for students to complete during the break in order to support their learning, and to ensure that they continue to reinforce their learning. The assignments focus on writing because constructed response and extended response questions create a more rigorous assessment of student writing ability in all grade levels. This more rigorous application of writing in all content areas is a part of Georgia Milestones.

Assignments will be provided for students in grades 1-8 and high school EOC tested courses in the areas of English language arts, mathematics, science, and social studies. Students are encouraged to read and complete the assignments during the break. Then, students can bring their finished work to school in order for teachers to review and support their areas of need. Parents are encouraged to assist students with the completion of tasks as needed. Parents may consider having a scheduled day and/or time during the break for students to work on the assignments. Additionally, parents can engage students in conversations about their learning. An electronic version of the **enrichment packets** can be found on the Clayton County Public Schools website (www.clayton.k12.ga.us) and through the CCPS mobile app.

Finally, you will find additional resources on the Clayton County Public Schools website, including a **Parent's Guide to the Georgia Milestones**, translated in Vietnamese, Spanish and English. Additionally, the **Georgia Milestone Assessment Study/Resource Guides for Students and Parents** [provided by the Georgia Department of Education] are posted on our website. This resource includes test-taking tips and sample questions for English language arts, mathematics, science, and social studies, which will provide students with additional practice. We **highly** encourage you to use these resources to support your child's readiness.

We encourage you to visit the GADOE website where you can find additional information on Georgia Milestones, including a helpful video that explains the purpose for the testing system.

Thank you for your attention to this matter, and best wishes for the success of our children!

Regards,
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