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Dear KNDLA Families:

On **Tuesday, April 18th**, KNDLA 11th grade students will be taking CMAS, the Colorado Measures of Academic Success. CMAS measures student proficiency on the Colorado Academic Standards. These standards provide clear and consistent guidelines on what students should know and be able to do at the end of the year, across grade levels and subject areas. The subject area tested for 11th grade students is science only.

CMAS is the *only* common measurement of student progress across the state. Although CMAS is just *one* measurement of learning, results help provide answers to these important questions:

- What is my child's level of proficiency on state standards?
- How is my child doing academically following pandemic disruptions?
- Does my child need additional support?
- How well is my child doing compared to their peers at school and across the district and state?

Students can best demonstrate what they know after getting plenty of sleep the night before testing, followed by a healthy breakfast. To prevent missed instruction due to makeup testing, ensure that your student(s) arrive on-time for school, and that appointments and vacations are planned for non-testing days. Your support during CMAS is appreciated as state assessments are vital tools that contribute towards student success.

Student practice resources can be found here: <https://coassessments.com/practice-resources/>. More information about assessments in DPS can be found here: <https://assessments.dpsk12.org>.

If you have any questions, please feel free to reach out to me at [gtesta@kippcolorado.org](mailto:gtesta@kippcolorado.org). Thank you!

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The following are additional resources from the Colorado Department of Education:

<http://www.cde.state.co.us/communications/cmaspurposeandvalue22-0>

<http://www.cde.state.co.us/communications/resourcesforparents>