

## **Huston Middle School** **2018 PSSA Testing Schedule**

Huston Middle School will be assessing students according to the following schedule:

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| April 10-12 (8:30-10:30)    | ELA PSSA (Grades 6-8)                     |
| April 17 & 18 (8:30-10:30)  | Math PSSA (Grades 6-8)                    |
| April 24 & 25 (10:30-12:00) | Science PSSA (8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Only) |

Due to the importance of the PSSA, we ask that all students be well rested and prepared. We ask that you have a conversation with your child about the importance of doing well on the PSSA. Not only do the results of the PSSA have a direct effect on their schedule, but the state uses these results to compare our school/district to other schools within the state.

The cafeteria will be open to any student wishing to purchase breakfast during the PSSA testing window. Students also have the option to bring in an individual size serving breakfast snack that can be eaten prior to testing. Liquids are not permitted.

Students are NOT permitted to have cell phones, cameras, or any other electronic device in their possession during the administration of the assessments.

- The consequence for using and/or having a cell phone or other electronic device during the test administration will result in the application of a "Do Not Score" label on his/her test booklet or appropriate notification to not score on the online version, and the student will not receive a score.
- If the student uses a cell phone or electronic device in any manner during the administration of the test, the phone or electronic device will be confiscated until such time that the parent or guardian can come to the school, and in the presence of the parent or guardian, the cell phone or other electronic device will be viewed to ensure that no information or material regarding the assessment is present.
- Violation of the no cell phone or other electronic device rule will result in discipline and that discipline will vary depending on whether test material has been compromised.
- Any items on an assessment that have been compromised, and can no longer be used will have to be replaced, and the parents and students may be responsible for the cost of replacement.

Additional information regarding the PSSAs can also be found on Skyward. If you should have any questions regarding the PSSA, please contact Mrs. McCurdy or Mrs. Innocent at 724-334-1443.