

# Hawthorn Elementary

Everyone Learning  
Every Day

April, 2015

Dear Parent/Guardian,

In just a few short weeks (eleven school days to be exact) Hawthorn will begin MAP testing. Your student's specific testing dates are identified in the schedule provided below. The Missouri Assessment Program (MAP) is a state assessment measuring student performance on the grade-level Missouri Learning Standards. For the first time this assessment will be administered online. This approach represents a significant improvement over traditional paper-pencil tests. Parents can preview the MAP administration system and the item types by reviewing the practice tests and tutorials available in the MAP portal at <https://mo.drceidirect.com/default.aspx>. We will have this link posted on the Hawthorn web page of our district's website. Parents can also access practice items, online tools and training videos by logging onto the Camdenton R-III website. Follow these steps: *(The preferred browser for accessing these online supports is Google Chrome.)*

Camdenton district webpage: [www.camdentonschools.org](http://www.camdentonschools.org)

- ⇒ Select the tab at the top of page "Academic Services"
- ⇒ Select "District Assessment Information"
- ⇒ On left hand side of page, select MAP training Spring 2015



We appreciate your diligence to ensure your child is present during their class's scheduled testing dates and times. A good night's rest and breakfast will help fuel their best effort and concentration. As always, if you have questions please don't hesitate to contact me here at school via e-mail, phone call or in person.

Thank you for your continued support and dedication to your child's education,

Todd Shockley, Hawthorn Elementary Principal  
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**May 5 through May 14** are the dates of Hawthorn Elementary's MAP Testing. Please find listed below the days and specific times.

**Third Grade Team 1 (Mrs. Anderson, Mrs. Howery, Mr. D. Moulder, Mrs. Selby, Mrs. Vest, Mrs. Welch)**

- ◆ May 5 (Tuesday) - 9:00 to 10:30 a.m. and 2:00 to 3:00 p.m.
- ◆ May 11 (Monday) - 9:00 to 10:30 a.m. and 2:00 to 3:00 p.m.

**Third Grade Team 2 (Mrs. Franklin, Mrs. Johns, Mrs. Lipps, Mrs. T. Moulder, Mrs. Watson)**

- ◆ May 6 (Wednesday) - 9:00 to 10:30 a.m. and 2:00 to 3:00 p.m.
- ◆ May 12 (Tuesday) - 9:00 to 10:30 a.m. and 2:00 to 3:00 p.m.

**Fourth Grade Team 1 (Mrs. Briscoe, Mr. Cook, Ms. Martinson, Mrs. Pitts, Mrs. Stoufer, Mrs. Wonderly)**

- ◆ May 7 (Thursday) - 9:00 to 10:30 a.m. and 2:00 to 3:00 p.m.
- ◆ May 13 (Wednesday) - 9:00 to 10:30 a.m. and 2:00 to 3:00 p.m.

**Fourth Grade Team 2 (Mrs. Blanton, Mrs. Brennaman, Ms. Hartman, Mrs. Rogers, Mrs. Vasquez)**

- ◆ May 8 (Friday) - 9:45 to 11:15 a.m. and 2:00 to 3:00 p.m.
- ◆ May 14 (Thursday) - 9:45 to 11:15 a.m. and 2:00 to 3:00 p.m.

## Dates to Remember

### April

- 20 5th Grade Orientation to Oak Ridge—4th Grade Team 2—12:50 p.m.
- 20 Jr FLL Robotics (3rd Gr) - Computer/Science Labs— 3:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.
- 20 Book Buddies (Girls) - Library—3:30 p.m.
- 21 Robotics (4th Grade) — Science/Computer Labs—3:30
- 22 Art Club Session III—Art Room—7:15 to 8:15 a.m.
- 22 Jr FLL Robotics (3rd Gr) - Science/Computer Labs—3:30
- 22 Book Buddies (Boys) - Library—3:30 p.m.
- 23 Robotics (4th Gr) - Computer/Science Labs—3:30 p.m.
- 24 Writer's Club—Library—3:30 p.m.
- 27 Jr FLL Robotics—Computer/Science Labs—3:30 p.m.
- 27 Book Buddies (Girls) - Library—3:30 p.m.
- 28 K-Kids—Library—3:30 p.m.
- 28 Robotics (4th Gr) - Computer/Science Labs—3:30 p.m.
- 29 Art Club Session III—Art Room—7:15 to 8:15 a.m.
- 29 Family Lunch (Mrs. Franklin, Mrs. Johns, Mrs. Lipps, Mrs. T Moulder, Mrs. Watson) - 10:55 am
- 29 Family Lunch (Mrs. Blanton, Mrs. Brennaman, Ms. Hartman, Mrs. T. Rogers, Mrs. Vasquez) - 12:25 pm

# Test Taking Tips

Parents are an integral part of students' success in testing and school achievement. Students benefit from the reinforcement of parents and teachers working together to help them succeed. The relationship between the child, parents and teachers are like pieces of a puzzle. In order to have the best results, all three pieces need to be in place and working together. The results are not as good with just one or two pieces working.

Tips to help your student be the best he/she can be during test time:

- ◆ Write down the testing days so you and your student are both aware of the testing dates.
- ◆ Talk about the test with your child in order to relieve the stress about test taking.
- ◆ Make sure your child gets enough sleep the night before each testing day.
- ◆ Make sure that your child gets up early enough so that he/she will be on time to school.
- ◆ Ensure that your child eats a healthy breakfast.
- ◆ Ensure that your child drinks plenty of water.
- ◆ "Always Do Your Best." Emphasize to your child to do his best on the test.

## On A Positive Note

Students at Hawthorn have been filling up a bulletin board outside the library with positive comments. Students have the opportunity every morning to write a sticky note about something positive they have seen or experienced here at Hawthorn. Everyone is enjoying reading all the positive comments. We are working hard to facilitate positive student-to-student relationships!

### A BIG Thank You to Parents, Guardians, Grandparents and Friends of Hawthorn!

Your continued support and encouragement is truly a blessing to the students and staff of Hawthorn Elementary. Most recently, I would like to say a special thanks for the overwhelming contributions to "Jump Rope for Heart," "McTeacher Night," and our ongoing "Box Tops for Education" campaign. There is an old saying, "Many hands make light work," and the many ways you support our efforts at Hawthorn helps lighten the load.

### Hawthorn Parent Advisory Teams

Sixteen Hawthorn parents along with the Hawthorn Building Leadership Team are working together to develop action plans for improvement in the areas of safety/security, student relationships and home learning and communication. These improvement efforts were determined through a needs assessment involving student and parent survey data. As plans are being finalized some of the steps will be implemented this year and others at the beginning of next year. I am so grateful for the time, energy and effort these parents have provided to help us continue to provide the best educational experience possible.

### Hawthorn Business Partners Celebrate Student Success!

The following businesses have been especially generous in helping us recognize excellent student behavior and achievement: Sonic Drive-In, Taco Bell, Culvers, Andy's Frozen Custard, McDonald's and Dairy Queen.