

Monticello Montessori Public Charter School

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Dear Parents,

According to Idaho law, all students of publicly funded schools are required to participate in state achievement tests. The results inform our teachers how Monticello Montessori can best meet our students' needs. We would really like you to partner with us in helping our students show how much they know and can do. We are excited to show the effectiveness of Montessori methods of learning and how capable our students are through their test results.

Kindergartners through third graders will take the Istation test, a statewide measure of reading fluency, comprehension, vocabulary, and spelling. Third through eighth graders will take the ISAT, which is Idaho's comprehensive assessment of proficiency and academic growth in Mathematics and English/Language Arts. Fifth and Eighth graders will also take the Science ISAT.

Our testing window begins on April 7th and ends on May 27th. To help your child do their best, please make sure they get about 10 hours of sleep each night. Please give them a nutritious, high protein breakfast, especially on testing days. Foods like yogurt, eggs, milk, cheese, sausage, or peanut butter will help our students sustain their energy levels during testing days. You can view the ISAT calendar on our school's website, under Parent Resources. Different grade levels and classes will be tested on different days.

It is Monticello Montessori's policy, in compliance with state law, that all students participate in state achievement tests. If a student is absent, he or she will make up the test at another time. If any parent has questions about test administration, please contact Mrs. Matson at trudy@monticellomontessori.com. For more information about Idaho Core Standards, or to access practice tests, please visit:

<http://www.smarterbalanced.org/assessments/practice-and-training-tests/>

Sincerely,

Erica Kemery, Administrator