



Adams Topics

March 29, 2016

Gerald Adams Elementary

FSA—FCAT TESTING DATES:

March 30-31 Grade 3 ELA FSA/Gr 4 Math FSA
April 1 & 4 Grade 3 Math FSA
April 19-20 Grade 4-5 ELA FSA
April 26-27 Grade 5 Math FSA
May 3-4 GRADE 5 FCAT SCIENCE

Please do not take your children out of school during this time as we do not have make-up times outside of the testing window. These assessments determine promotion to the next grade—Make them a priority!

PREPARE FOR FSA TESTING : As you know, FSA is a very important test. Supporting and encouraging your children is particularly important during these test days. Having them get to bed early and feeding them a good breakfast of protein and carbohydrates is so important! Some great breakfast ideas that the students have shared with me include granola bars, fruit and a glass of milk to cereal & fruit; eggs, sausage & grits; PB & J on toast; grits & cheese; yogurt. This will help them be alert and ready for school.

Equally important is making sure the children feel comfortable and relaxed. They are prepared. They have worked hard, and we want to make sure that they know that the FSA is a celebration of their knowledge and accomplishments! With your assistance we can make this a very positive experience for everyone.

Being on time for test days is really important. Students who arrive late, will have to test during our make up sessions, or during a later time that day. So please make sure to arrive before 8:15.

FSA: Focus, Show, Achieve

APRIL/MAY DATES TO REMEMBER:

1-4 Grades 3-Math FSA Test
7-8 Honor Roll Celebrations
19-20 Grades 4-5 ELA FSA Test
26-27 Grade 5—Math FSA Test
May 3-4 Grade 5 FCAT Science

DOLPHIN DAYS DONATIONS NEEDED: Coach Henriquez is accepting donations of small cups and **powered** Gatorade for our upcoming Dolphin Days festivities. Dolphin Days will be May 10-13. Parents are welcome to come and cheer on their little athletes!!

Tues. May 10th -Kindergarten 8:15 and 4th grade 9:45
Wed. May 11th- 1st grade 8:15 and 3rd grade 9:45
Thurs. May 12th- 2nd Grade 8:15 and 5th grade 9:45
Friday, May 13th—Rain Make-up Day!
Come watch the competition and the fun! Parents are welcome!!

PRINCIPAL'S HONOR ROLL CELEBRATION: We will be celebrating the students' 3rd 9-week's accomplishments at our quarterly honor roll celebration. The schedule is as follows: April 7th, K-8:45; Gr. 1-9:15; Gr. 2—9:45. April 8th, Gr. 3- 8:45; Gr. 4-9:15; and Gr. 5—9:45. We are very proud of our great students!

PAKER NIGHT—APRIL 6: We are having PAKER night of the school year is on Wednesday, April 6 from 5:15-6:30 p.m. PAKER stands for **Parents and Kids-Everyone Reads** and is a special night for you to celebrate reading with your child. You can read with your child, learn about our Accelerated Reader program and watch your child work with the program. Your child will get to make a craft, choose a free paperback book and there will be raffles for some great educational items. A slice of pizza and a drink will be available too. Please mark your calendar and plan to attend this fun evening with your child!