



COBB COUNTY
SCHOOL DISTRICT



& LEARNING
ASSESSING
8TH GRADE

WHAT IS LEARNING & ASSESSING IN COBB COUNTY SCHOOLS?



SCAN THE QR CODE OR VISIT THE LINK BELOW FOR IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT WHAT YOUR EIGHTH GRADE STUDENT IS LEARNING AND HOW WE KNOW THEY ARE LEARNING.

<https://www.cobbk12.org/page/42510/8th-grade-learning>

LEARNING

The Cobb County School District is committed to providing your child an academic experience that will develop his or her knowledge and skills at every grade level and to ensure a strong foundation is established for your child to reach his or her greatest potential. Our teaching is aligned with content standards and our teachers bring those standards to life for your child through various strategies designed to meet your child's learning strengths and needs.

In 8th grade classrooms in Cobb County, students are immersed every day in learning experiences based on exploration, problem-solving, and critical thinking that build on the foundations built in elementary school. Learning experiences will include the core areas of English Language Arts, Mathematics, Physical Science, and Georgia Studies; as well as specialized academic content including Health, Music, Physical Education, Technology, Visual Arts, and World Languages*. The link above will take you to a detailed overview of what your child will be learning this year. *Programming availability varies at local schools

ASSESSING

Your child will have a variety of classroom assessments that will aid his or her teacher in knowing how to provide the best possible instruction for your child. Also, these assessments will help you know how well your child is learning and what extra support may be needed. In addition, your child will participate in some standardized assessments that are used to gauge how well your child is doing, based upon his or her grade level expectations.

In the fall, students in 8th grade will participate in the College Board's PSAT 8/9. This test measures skill levels and academic progress, giving students a foundation for success as they transition to high school.

The State of Georgia requires that students, in grades 6-8, participate in the annual administration of state assessments. The state assessment is called the Georgia Milestones Assessment System. Georgia Milestones measures how well students have learned the knowledge and skills in language arts, mathematics, science and social studies. Students in grade 8 will take an End of Grade (EOG) assessment as part of the Georgia Milestones. The EOG will include multiple choice, short answer, and technology-enhanced questions. The language arts EOG has a third section which focuses on writing.

All students in grades K-9 participate in the universal screening process for reading and math using computer adaptive assessment. Your eighth grader's progress in reading and math will be measured three times a year.