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# SUNFLOWER COUNTY CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Mrs. Miskia Davis, Superintendent  
“United for Excellence”

## Weekly Information Blast: January 7, 2021

### **Testing! Testing! 1, 2,3!**

As we get deeper into the school year, it is imperative that we conduct frequent checks to measure student growth and progress. Assessments are how we gauge student performance. To ensure student safety, all assessments will be given virtually. Cameras must be turned on for all assessments. Any outside assistance provided to students may warrant student assessment scores being invalidated.

*Biweekly Assessments:* Students will take biweekly assessments during the week of January 11-15, 2021. These are short assessments given to check student progress. When students are engaged in bi-weekly assessments, it is mandatory that cameras are turned on so that we get accurate data on what our students know. Students must have their cameras turned on and be visible to the teacher in order to take the biweekly assessment or their scores will be invalidated.

*Benchmark Assessments:* Benchmark assessments are given at the end of each nine week period. These are longer assessments to check for student mastery after receiving instruction for 8 weeks. 2nd Nine Weeks Benchmarks will be given January 25-29, 2021. Benchmarks will be taken at home. Students must have their cameras turned on and be visible to the teacher in order to take the benchmark assessment or their scores will be invalidated.

**Student Attendance:** Though we are learning virtually, all students are expected to attend all classes daily. Students will be marked absent when this does not occur. If you experience technical difficulties, it is urgent that you contact your child’s school immediately to inform them and troubleshoot the problem. In the event of health issues, valid excuses from healthcare providers must be submitted.

**COVID Vaccinations:** By now, you are surely hearing a lot of information about the vaccines for COVID-19. While getting the vaccination is a personal decision, our nursing department wanted to provide you with a resource that may answer some questions for you regarding the vaccination. You can read the “Facts about COVID-19 Vaccines” here: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/vaccines/facts.html>

**General Information:** School contact information as well as school websites can be found here: <http://www.sunflower.k12.ms.us/?PN=Schools2>. The Central Office's (Hwy 49) number is 662.887.4919 and the Administrative Building's number is 662.884.1200. If you have additional questions or concerns that a specific school or office is unable to assist you with, please email [sccsdmedia@sunflower.k12.ms.us](mailto:sccsdmedia@sunflower.k12.ms.us). **We check this email account daily and respond to the questions as well.** The district website is [www.sunflower.k12.ms.us](http://www.sunflower.k12.ms.us) and will have all pertinent information. If you are on Social Media, please check out our district's Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/TEAMSCCSD/?ref=bookmarks> (search "TEAMSCCSD"). Also follow us on Twitter @SCCSD2. Parents/Guardians please update your contact information so that you will be able to receive district information through our call and text systems. Be sure to "Subscribe" to our YouTube Channel (SCCSD Media) and "Like" and "Follow" our Facebook page.