

Milestones Messenger

Cobb County School District – K-5, October Edition



GOFAR Updates

GOFAR contains test items related to content areas assessed by the Georgia Milestones Assessment System and NAEP. Teachers and administrators can utilize GOFAR to develop formative and summative assessments, aligned to the state-adopted content standards, to assist in informing daily instruction.

Updates:

- Increase of Constructed Response Items with Student Exemplar Files
- Increase of Items at DOK 3 and 4
- Addition of Formative Benchmarks
- Exemplar Samples provided
- All supporting resources can be found at <http://www.gadoe.org/Curriculum-Instruction-and-Assessment/Assessment/Pages/Georgia-Online-Formative-Assessment-Resource.aspx>
- For questions or additional support, contact dianna.denton@cobbk12.org



Flexible Formative Assessment System

The Flexible Formative Assessment System provides Touchstone Assessments created by teams of CCSD teachers. These assessments are available for ELA and Math in grades 1-8 and HS EOC classes. The goal of these assessments is to provide teachers the information needed to inform instruction.

Updates

- In addition to quarterly and unit Touchstones, mini-Touchstones now exist in an effort to bring assessment even closer to instruction.
- Constructed Response Items can now be created and given through CTLS and will be available district-wide in January 2017.
- Proficiency levels now mimic the four levels of the Milestones.

CR Scoring Samplers

The purpose of CR Scoring Samplers is to provide examples of the type of constructed-response items that appear on the Georgia Milestones ELA EOG assessment and the Georgia Milestones Mathematics EOG assessment. The items in this sampler may be used for classroom instruction purposes. The samples may be copied, and classroom teachers may find it beneficial to have students respond to one or more of the samples. Teachers can then use the information in the samplers as a guide to score responses written by their own students. These items can be found at the following link...

<http://www.gadoe.org/Curriculum-Instruction-and-Assessment/Assessment/Pages/Item-Samplers.aspx>