

Dear Parents:

Here is some information to help you and your child(ren) be prepared for the Stanford 10 testing on April 28th and 30th. We offer testing for Kindergarten through 12th grade, and they **do not** have to test in their current grade. The testing is completely “fill-in-the-bubble”, and all questions **must** be answered, or it affects the scoring. Kindergarten through 2nd Grade completes the test in their own booklet. Third grade and up will answer their questions on a separate answer sheet. Testing will take place at Home Schoolers’ Academy. We meet at Jefferson Avenue Baptist Church, 316 Sunshine, Springfield, Mo. (on the corner of Sunshine and Jefferson). You will enter through the glass doors on the South side of the building.

Testing begins promptly at 8:30. Parents are required to work both days of testing. We try not to put parents in the same room as their children that are testing. If you are a Proctor, please arrive early enough to check in, take your child(ren) to their room, and be in your assigned room by 8:15 AM. If you are an Assistant please arrive early enough to check in, take your child(ren) to their room, and be in your room no later than 8:20 AM. If a student is late, they must enter the room quietly and may have to wait to start testing until the current section is completed. The parents would then need to schedule a time to make up the missed section of the test. If at all possible we will do any make-up testing the same day.

Students should finish testing by 12:00 to 12:30 each day. Some grade levels have shorter test times than others. The allowed test time per day is 210 minutes. Once a group is done testing they will be taken to the gym. Please check with the testing coordinator before checking your children out and leaving.

Students will need to bring the following items each day:

- * Several sharpened #2 pencils and an eraser
- * Blank paper
- * A ruler with both inches and cm
- * Grades 4th-12th – A calculator, if desired, for the “Problem Solving” section only. HSA does not have a supply of calculators so please bring your own.
- * Reading material or something to work on **quietly** for early completion of a section
- * A nutritious snack and drink for two breaks – Due to potential food allergies we ask that the children do NOT share their snacks with each other.

A self-addressed, stamped envelope (4 1/8” x 9 1/2”) is needed for us to send the test results back to you. It will be a two page report for each child. Up to three children’s results can go into the same envelope. Once we turn in the tests for scoring, it takes about two weeks to get the results back. The results come back to HSA and will be sent to you in your envelope. We must have your self-addressed, stamped envelope(s) by the last testing day.

If you need information on testing, a good place to start is www.hslda.org/testing. There are also books and practice tests available. *Mardel* (www.mardel.com) has some testing information, and sometimes, you can find books on testing at *Redeemed Music and Books* (www.shopredeemed.com).

Thank you for allowing your child(ren) to test with us. We pray this is a positive and encouraging experience for you. Please feel free to ask any questions and/or give comments.

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