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Dear Parents,

We want your child to enjoy his/her Winter Holiday Break by spending time with loved ones and relishing the holiday season. Along with this, we hope you will encourage your child to continue learning beyond the classroom. During the second semester, most of our students will participate in benchmark assessments and the official state assessment, the Georgia Milestones Assessments (GMAS). Of course, we want your child to be well prepared for the demands of the benchmark assessments and GMAS, which measure mastery of grade-level standards as well as college and career readiness. The Clayton County Public Schools Department of Curriculum, Instruction, and Assessment is helping you to ***Extend Learning Beyond the Classroom*** by providing practice assignments for students to complete to support and reinforce their learning. The assignments focus on standards-based practice that reflects what students are expected to do on the Georgia Milestones in each core content area (Math, Language Arts, Science, and Social Studies).

Although students in Grades K-2 do not participate in the GMAS, we have included practice assignments for students in grades K-12 to ensure all students are developing the necessary skills for success. Students are encouraged to complete the assignments while away from school. Students can bring their finished work to school for teachers to review and support their areas of need. As always, students are also encouraged to read at least 30 minutes every day to continue developing a rich vocabulary that increases their learning skills. Parents are asked to engage students in conversations about what they are reading and learning from the assignments. **Parents may consider having a scheduled time for students to complete their practice assignments each day to establish a daily routine.** Parents may assist students – as needed - with the completion of assignments. Finally, an electronic version of the assignments and additional online resources can be found on the Clayton County Public Schools website at the link below <https://tinyurl.com/CCPSWinterPractice> .

Thank you for your ***valuable partnership*** and your commitment to high performance!

Regards,

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