



### TESTING TIPS

- Do not panic, even if you do not have a clue. Remember, this is an above-grade-level test and you are not expected to know all the answers.
- If you start to panic—relax physically. Close your eyes for a few seconds and concentrate on your breathing.
- Do not spend too much time on any one question. For the verbal questions, eliminate the obviously wrong choices first, then, carefully consider the remaining ones. Be sure to read ALL the choices before you choose your answer.
- If you get stuck on a question, take your best guess. On the SCAT there is no penalty for wrong answers. Items are of equal value, so the more correct answers you give, the higher your score.
- If you find you do not have enough time to finish, use the last minute in each section to make guesses to ensure you finish the section.
- If time permits, review the questions and check your answers.
- First impressions count. In rechecking your answers, change an answer **ONLY** if you are **CERTAIN** that your first answer was incorrect. First impressions (initial guesses) are often correct.
- Finally, be confident and good luck!