



# Florida Assessment of Student Thinking Parent Information

Florida Assessment of Student Thinking (FAST) for English Language Arts and Mathematics aligned to the B.E.S.T. (Benchmarks for Excellent Student Thinking) standards

## PREPARING YOUR CHILD FOR FAST ASSESSMENTS

Florida Assessment of Student Thinking (FAST) will be administered three times per year in grades VPK through grade 10 English Language Arts and VPK through grade 8 Mathematics. These assessments replace the Florida Standards Assessments (FSA) and are intended to measure student progress in learning B.E.S.T. standards as well as evaluate final student mastery of on-grade level B.E.S.T. standards at the end of the school year.



*Instilling excellence and determination so every student can achieve tomorrow's possibilities.*

### LEARN

about the FAST Assessments and why they matter for your child.

<https://flfast.org/families.html>

### MONITOR

your child's progress by reviewing their score reports on the state family portal then use the data to support your child's learning.

### LOCATE

resources to prepare your child for state assessments such as interacting with the online testing platform or reviewing sample test materials.

<https://flfast.org/families.html>

### UNDERSTAND

how state assessments impact your child's ability to be promoted to the next grade level and graduate high school.

<https://www.fldoe.org/accountability/assessments/>

## Test Windows

There are three test windows for FAST assessments during the 2022–2023 school year. ([State Assessment Schedule](#))

- PM1: August 15–September 30, 2022
- PM1 K–2: August 10 – September 21, 2022
- PM2: December 5, 2022–January 27, 2023
- PM3: May 1–May 26, 2023

*\*Specific test administration dates for each grade level and subject area are set at the school.*

### Grades 3-10 Administration

- Each test will be administered in one session and only one subject a day.
- PM 1 and PM 2 inform instruction and measure student learning based on the BEST Standards.
- PM 3 evaluates student mastery of on-grade level standards and is used for accountability purposes (i.e. student promotion, high school graduation, school grades)
- Tests are taken on a computer and are adaptive.

### Grades VPK - 2 Administration

- Each test will be administered in one session and only one subject a day.
- Tests are taken on a computer and are adaptive
- VPK tests are aligned to the Florida Early Learning and Developmental Standards; K-2 tests are aligned to BEST Standards.

**Review your child's test results by logging into [Skyward Family Access](#) and accessing the State Family Portal!**

**[CLICK HERE](#) to access the Okeechobee Family Portal Flyer with steps to access the site and your child's test results.**

Grade	Subject	PM1	PM2	PM3
VPK	Reading	Star Early Literacy	Star Early Literacy	Star Early Literacy
Kindergarten	Reading	Star Early Literacy	Star Early Literacy	Star Early Literacy
			OR	OR
Kindergarten	Math	Star Math	Star Reading*	Star Reading*
			Star Math	Star Math
Grade 1	Reading	Star Early Literacy	Star Early Literacy	Star Early Literacy
			OR	OR
Grade 1	Math	Star Math	Star Reading*	Star Reading*
			Star Math	Star Math
Grade 2	Reading	Star Reading	Star Reading	Star Reading
			Star Math	Star Math

\*If a student scores at or above 852 on Star Early Literacy, the student will take Star Reading on subsequent administrations.