

Spring 2024 Computer-Based Statewide Assessments

Grades 3–10 FAST ELA Reading, Grades 3–8 FAST Mathematics,
B.E.S.T. Writing, Statewide Science, and EOC Assessments

Progress Monitoring vs. Summative

- FAST Progress Monitoring #3 is summative
 - PM #1 in September
 - PM #2 in December
 - PM #3 in May is a high stakes test
- End of Course Exams are high stakes tests
 - 30 % of course grade
 - Algebra, Geometry, Civics, Biology
- Statewide Science Assessment is a high stakes test
 - Material from 6th to 8th grade

How are the results used?

- EOCs count in the final grade for the course
- FAST data is used to determine course placement
 - Advanced courses
 - Intensive Reading
- Test scores are used to determine:
 - Teacher VAM scores
 - School grades

8th grade Testing Dates

- Wednesday, May 1st – Civics EOC CBT
- Friday, May 3rd – ELA FAST CBT
- Tuesday, May 7th – Math FAST and Alg/Geo EOC CBT
- Thursday, May 9th – Science/Biology EOC CBT
- FAST and EOC makeups through May

7th grade Testing Dates

- Friday, May 3rd – ELA FAST CBT
- Tuesday, May 7th – Math FAST and Alg EOC
- Thursday, May 9th – Science

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6th grade Testing Dates

- Thursday, May 2nd – ELA FAST CBT
- Monday, May 6th – Math FAST CBT

- FAST makeups through May

General Info - FAST

- Computer Adaptive Tests
 - Math- Approximately 40-45 questions
 - Calculators provided
 - Reference sheets provided
 - ELA- Approximately 43-47 Questions
 - Scratch paper available
- 120 minute test
- All students can work all day if necessary

General Info - EOCs

- Computer Adaptive Tests
 - Algebra & Geometry (48-50 questions)
 - Reference sheets provided
 - Calculators provided
 - Civics (50 questions)
 - Biology (51 questions)
 - Periodic table provided
 - Calculators provided
- 160 minute test
- All students can work all day if necessary

General Info – Science

- Computer Adaptive Test
 - Science
 - 51 questions
 - Periodic Table provided
 - Calculators provided
- 160 minute test
- All students can work all day if necessary

Reporting Updates

- Student results will be reported very soon after the test is completed for the following assessments:
 - Cambium (reading and math)
 - B.E.S.T. EOCs (Algebra, Geometry, Civics, Biology)
 - Science SSA
- Writing results will be available by June 30th

How to Prepare

- Be on time to school
- Get enough sleep
- Eat a good breakfast
- Don't schedule appointments for testing days
- Stay home if you're sick



How to Prepare

- Teachers are preparing in class
 - Review assignments
- Portal– flfast.org
 - Practice tests
 - Testing information
- www-mms.stjohns.k12.fl.us
 - Testing page

Welcome to the FAST Portal

Your source for information about
the Florida Assessment of Student
Thinking (FAST).



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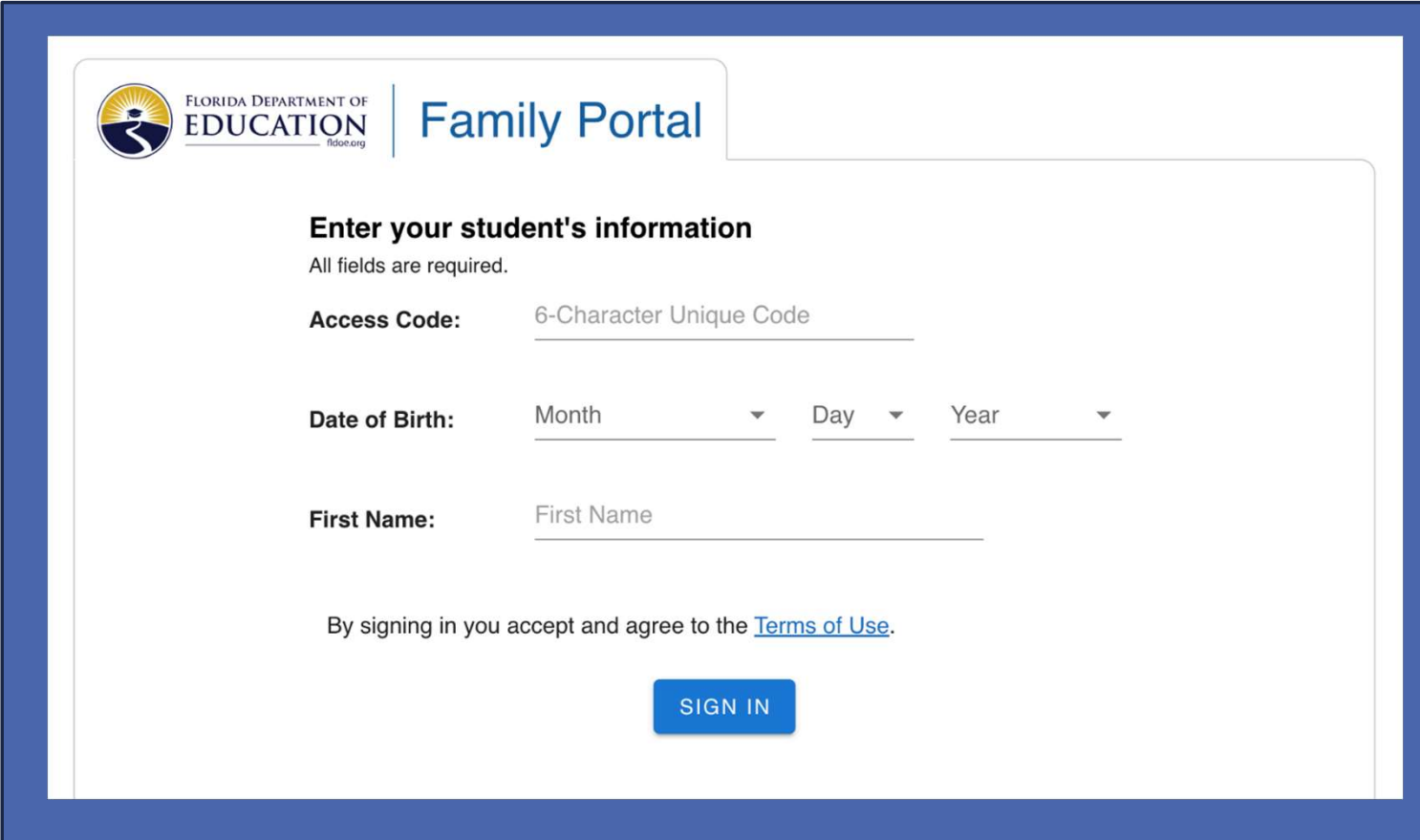


**Teachers &
Test Administrators**




Scores

- Family Portal – flfast.org



The screenshot shows the Family Portal sign-in page for the Florida Department of Education. The page features the department's logo and the text 'Family Portal'. Below this, there is a section titled 'Enter your student's information' with a note that 'All fields are required.' The form includes three input fields: 'Access Code' (a 6-character unique code), 'Date of Birth' (with dropdown menus for Month, Day, and Year), and 'First Name'. A 'SIGN IN' button is located at the bottom of the form. A link to the 'Terms of Use' is provided below the form fields.

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Enter your student's information
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Access Code:

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SIGN IN

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Upcoming Testing Dates

Tuesday, April 2nd – 7th & 8th B.E.S.T. Writing

Thursday, April 4th – 6th B.E.S.T. Writing

Wednesday, May 1st – Civics EOC

Thursday, May 2nd – 6th ELA FAST PM#3

Friday, May 3rd – 7th & 8th ELA FAST PM#3

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We need proctors!

Proctoring an exam is easy, and it is a huge help to our staff! You would be helping our teachers oversee students as they test. Since family members are not allowed in the same room as their child who is testing, you will not proctor in your child's room. Follow the steps below to help us with proctoring:

1. Be sure you are an approved volunteer with St. Johns County. If you are not, please visit <https://www.stjohns.k12.fl.us/volunteer/>.
2. Click [here](#) to sign up.
3. View the training presentation [here](#).
4. We will contact you before the test to verify your placement.
5. Sign the required form as shown in the training presentation. You can download a copy [here](#) or sign it when you arrive for proctoring.

Proctors are needed to help testing run smoothly and we are so thankful for your help!

If you have any questions, please contact Ms. Brailsford at Dawn.BrailsfordMoretta@stjohns.k12.fl.us



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Spring 2023 Statewide Assessments Policies and Procedures

Communicate the Following Testing Policies to Parents/Guardians and Students

- **Electronic Devices Policy**—Electronic devices are not permitted during testing and violation of this is grounds for test invalidation.
- **Leaving Campus**—If students leave campus before completing a test session (e.g., for lunch, an appointment, etc.), they **will not** be allowed to return to that session.
- **Testing Rules Acknowledgment**—All statewide tests include a statement that students sign/confirm verifying that they will abide by the testing rules.
- **Discussing Test Content after Testing**—By signing the Testing Rules Acknowledgment, students also affirm that they will not discuss or reveal details about the test content (including test items, passages, and prompts) after the test.

***While students may not share information about secure test content after testing, this policy is not intended to prevent students from discussing their testing *experiences* with their parents/families.**



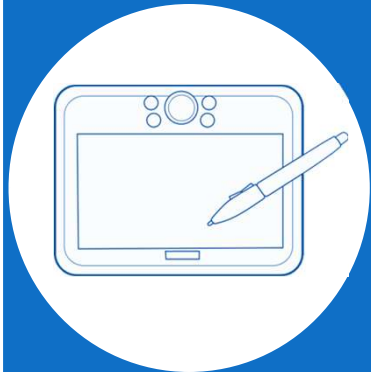
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**Cell phones or
smartphones**



Smartwatches



**Handheld
video games
and tablets**



Cameras



**Bluetooth/
wireless
headphones/
earbuds**

Communicate the Following Testing Policies to Parents/Guardians and Students

- **Working Independently**—Students are responsible for doing their own work during the test and for protecting their answers from being seen by others. If students are caught cheating during testing, their tests will be invalidated. In addition, FDOE employs Caveon Test Security to analyze student test results to detect unusually similar answer patterns. Students' tests within a school that are found to have extremely similar answer patterns will be invalidated.



May 10th, 2024

Gradventure Trip



8th grade trip coming soon!

- Boarding bus at 1:00PM
- Return to MMS at 2:30 AM
- Park is closed to the public
- May not leave the park – can travel between Islands and Universal on train or walkways





- Student meeting 4/26
 - Dress Code
 - Behavior expectations
 - What to bring
 - What not to bring
 - Partners



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A Night to Remember

6:00 PM-8:00 PM

FRIDAY MAY 17, 2024

RJMMS GYM

RED CARPET OPENS AT 5:30

TICKETS \$20 FOOD & DRINKS INCLUDED

NO REFUNDS, NO OSS STARTING 4/8

DRESS CODE: DRESS TO IMPRESS

NO HEELED SHOES- FLATS & SNEAKERS ONLY

TICKETS ON SALE APRIL 8 - APRIL 30 @ PTO VENMO & CASHAPP

INCLUDE NAME & "8TH GRADE DANCE" IN NOTES

**AFTER TICKET IS PURCHASED, SEND EMAIL TO RJMMSPPTO@GMAIL.COM TO CONFIRM TICKET
WITH STUDENT'S NAME, HOMEROOM, SONG REQUEST, AND 8TH GRADE DANCE**



RJ Murray Middle School PTO
Scan to pay SRJMMSPPTO



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Scan this code to pay

8th Grade Week

May 20 to 24



May 20	Awards Rehearsal D hall Activities Awards Ceremony – SAHS 5:30PM
May 21	Career Day Talent Show
May 22	Yearbook Signing Cookout
May 23	Field Day
May 24	Breakfast Movies



Questions?