



# Middle/High Testing Updates 2023/2024

# Glossary & Terms

- **B.E.S.T-** Benchmark in Excellent Student Thinking
- **CBT-** Computer Based Test
- **ELA-** English Language Arts
- **EOC-** End-of-Course assessments
- **FAST-** Florida assessment of student thinking
- **FSA-** Florida statewide assessments (facing out)
- **MYA-** Mid-Year Assessment
- **NGSSS-** Next generation sunshine state standards
- **PBT-** Paper Based Test
- **PM-** Progress Monitoring

Florida Assessment Portal

<https://flfast.org/>

# Florida Assessment of Student Thinking (FAST)

- FAST Grades 6-10
  - Each subject Administered in one day
  - Grades 6-10 ELA & Grades 6-8 Mathematics
  - PM1 & PM2 will be used for information purposes
  - PM3 will be used for accountability purposes
  - All Computer-based tests (CBT)
  - Administered through a secure browser
  - One session in one day
  - Passing the Grade 10 FAST ELA remains a graduation requirement

# PM Exam Administration

- The **FL Secure Browser** will be utilized as the testing platform
- Each exam will be administered in one session
- Only one subject will be administered in a day
- Exam is computer-adaptive
- Zoom must be used to monitor students
- Students should have 2 devices, one for Zoom and their computer/laptop for the Secure Browser
- Exam will be administered on specific dates and times.
  - All efforts must be made for students to be present on test dates

# Test Administration Information

- All FAST assessments are administered in one session in one day.
- Students take only one subject test per day and begin testing in the morning to allow enough time to complete the test in one school day.
- **PM1 & PM2 will be proctored remotely**
- PM3 students must attend IN PERSON

Grades/Subject	Session Length	# of Questions
Grades 3–10 ELA Reading	90 minutes	36-40
Grades 6–8 Mathematics	100 minutes	Up to 40

# Preparing for Testing

- **Prior to test date:**
  - ***Install DL Secure Browser*** for the device that will be used for testing- [https://flfast.org/tech-guide.html#Installing\\_the\\_Secure\\_Browser](https://flfast.org/tech-guide.html#Installing_the_Secure_Browser)
  - ***Confirm Internet Connection-*** [https://flfast.org/tech-guide.html#The\\_Network\\_Diagnostic\\_Tool](https://flfast.org/tech-guide.html#The_Network_Diagnostic_Tool)
  - ***Complete Audio & Visual Check-*** <https://flfast.org/-/media/project/client-portals/florida-fast/pdf/manuals-and-user-guides/assistive-technology-manual.pdf>
  - ***Copy of Math Reference Sheet-*** <https://flfast.org/-/media/project/client-portals/florida-fast/pdf/subject-specific/fast-best-fsa-mathematics-reference-sheets-packet.pdf>
  - Lookout for an email that will be sent to student and Guardian with login credentials

# FAST Math Administration

- Students should participate on the FAST Math exam of the subject that the student is currently enrolled in
  - ie: 7th grade student taking Pre-Algebra- student should participate on the Grade 8 FAST Math exam
- FAST Math test will require the use of a calculator
  - Grade 6 will use four function calculator  
([https://demo.tds.cambiumast.com/DesmosForAssessments/TDSCalculator.html?mode=fl\\_basicrestricted](https://demo.tds.cambiumast.com/DesmosForAssessments/TDSCalculator.html?mode=fl_basicrestricted))
  - Grade 7 & 8 will use scientific calculator  
([https://demo.tds.cambiumast.com/DesmosForAssessments/TDSCalculator.html?mode=fl\\_scirestricted](https://demo.tds.cambiumast.com/DesmosForAssessments/TDSCalculator.html?mode=fl_scirestricted))
  - Students will need scratch paper for all FAST Mathematics assessments  
(<https://flfast.org/-/media/project/client-portals/florida-fast/pdf/subject-specific/fast-best-fsa-mathematics-reference-sheets-packet.pdf> )

# On Test Day

- Open Zoom on the date of the exam until the teacher is able to see student on CAI platform.
- Students are recommended to use 2 devices, one for Zoom and another one for the FL Secure Browser
- Launch FL Secure Browser
- Follow Test Administrator instructions
- Students will login to the FL Secure Browser with:
  - Username- Individual e-mail sent to guardians and students
  - First name- Legal name as stated on school records
  - Session ID- Test Administrator will provide to students on the day of the exam
- Username will be e-mailed directly to Parent/Guardian



# Scores & Reporting

- **Grade 6-10 Scores will be reported on Cambium's Florida Reporting System**
- **Scores will include Scale Scores, Achievement Levels & Percentile Ranks**
- **Parents will have access to student scores within 2 weeks of the administration through the Family Portal**
- **Access Codes will be emailed to students and guardians**
- **Access codes are the same as last year**

The screenshot shows the 'Family Portal' login page for the Florida Department of Education. At the top left is the Florida Department of Education logo with the text 'FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION' and 'fldoe.org'. To the right of the logo is the text 'Family Portal'. Below this is a section titled 'Enter your student's information' with the note 'All fields are required.' The form contains three main fields: 'Access Code:' with a text input field and the label '6-Character Unique Code' above it; 'Date of Birth:' with three dropdown menus for 'Month', 'Day', and 'Year'; and 'First Name:' with a text input field and the label 'First Name' above it. Below the form is a line of text: 'By signing in you accept and agree to the [Terms of Use](#).' A blue 'SIGN IN' button is centered below this text. At the bottom of the page, there are two columns of links. The left column is titled 'More Login Information' and contains three links: 'How do I get my access code?', 'Having trouble logging in?', and 'Need more help?'. The right column is titled 'More Support' and contains one link: 'Supported Browsers' with a computer icon to its left. At the very bottom of the page, there is a copyright notice: 'Copyright © 2023 Cambium Assessment, Inc. All rights reserved. | [Terms of Use](#)'.

# What exams will my students take

- Grades 6-10
  - Grades 6-10 B.E.S.T. Writing
  - Grades 6-10 FAST Reading
  - Grades 6-8 FAST Math
    - Middle school students taking Algebra I or Geometry will take the respective End Of Course Exams

# Benchmark in Excellent Student Thinking (B.E.S.T.)

## B.E.S.T. Writing

- Students in Grade 6-10 will have one session of writing
- Administered as a Computer-Based Test (CBT)
- Will be reported separately from ELA score
- Administered before FAST PM3
- Test Dates: April 1-12

## B.E.S.T. End-of-Course Assessment (EOC)

- Algebra I EOC & Geometry EOC
- Computer-based exams
- One session in one day
- Passing the B.E.S.T. Algebra I EOC remains a graduation requirement
- **EOCs count as 30% of overall class final grade**

**Students must attend IN PERSON at a school site to take these assessments. No remote testing available**



# NGSSS EOC & Science Statewide Assessment

## 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Science Statewide Assessment

- 8<sup>th</sup> Grade students taking Science Grade 8
- Computer-Based Assessment

## NGSSS EOC

- Biology EOC
- Civics EOC
- US History EOC
- FCLE

All assessments are administered in 1 day/1 Session  
EOCs count as 30% of overall class final grade

**Students must attend IN PERSON at a school site to take these assessments.  
No remote testing available**

# PM1 & PM2 Testing Dates

Grade	Subject	Testing Window	Date	Time	Zoom ID
6	Reading	PM1	9/20/23	9am	781-491-6277
7	Reading	PM1	9/20/23	9am	781-491-6277
8	Reading	PM1	9/21/23	9am	781-491-6277
9	Reading	PM1	9/21/23	9am	781-491-6277
10	Reading	PM1	9/20/23	During class time	781-491-6277
6	Math	PM1	9/26/23	9am	781-491-6277
7	Math	PM1	9/26/23	9am	781-491-6277
8	Math	PM1	9/26/23	12pm	781-491-6277

Grade	subject	Testing Window	Date	Time	Zoom ID
6	Reading	PM2	1/10/24	9am	781-491-6277
7	Reading	PM2	1/10/24	9am	781-491-6277
8	Reading	PM2	1/10/24	12pm	781-491-6277
9	Reading	PM2	1/10/24	12pm	781-491-6277
10	Reading	PM2	1/11/24	During class time	781-491-6277
6	Math	PM2	1/17/24	9am	781-491-6277
7	Math	PM2	1/17/24	9am	781-491-6277
8	Math	PM2	1/17/24	12pm	781-491-6277

# PSAT/NMSQT

- Administered during the month of October- Specific test date will be set
- Preparation for the SAT
- Computer-Based exam
- 11<sup>th</sup> Grade students must register to take the exam. Qualifier for the National Merit Scholarship
- Students may use the math portion of the PSAT to meet the Algebra I EOC graduation requirement
- Only test site available:

Mater Brickell Academy- 230 SW 17<sup>th</sup> Rd. Miami, FL. 33129

Exam cost is \$18

Students must register by emailing Ms. Bermudez at [cbermudez@materbrickell.com](mailto:cbermudez@materbrickell.com) **no later than SEPTEMBER 6<sup>TH</sup>, 2023**

# AP Exams- May 6-17

Week 1	Morning 8 a.m. Local Time	Afternoon 12 p.m. Local Time
<b>Monday, May 6, 2024</b>	United States Government and Politics	Art History  Chemistry
<b>Tuesday, May 7, 2024</b>	Human Geography  Microeconomics	Seminar  Statistics
<b>Wednesday, May 8, 2024</b>	English Literature and Composition	Comparative Government and Politics  Computer Science A
<b>Thursday, May 9, 2024</b>	Chinese Language and Culture  Environmental Science	Psychology
<b>Friday, May 10, 2024</b>	European History  United States History	Macroeconomics  Spanish Literature and Culture

Week 2	Morning 8 a.m. Local Time	Afternoon 12 p.m. Local Time	Afternoon 2 p.m. Local Time
<b>Monday, May 13, 2024</b>	Calculus AB  Calculus BC	Italian Language and Culture  Precalculus	
<b>Tuesday, May 14, 2024</b>	English Language and Composition	African American Studies  Physics C: Mechanics	Physics C: Electricity and Magnetism
<b>Wednesday, May 15, 2024</b>	French Language and Culture  World History: Modern	Computer Science Principles  Music Theory	
<b>Thursday, May 16, 2024</b>	Spanish Language and Culture	Biology  Japanese Language and Culture	
<b>Friday, May 17, 2024</b>	German Language and Culture  Physics 1: Algebra- Based	Latin  Physics 2: Algebra- Based	

# AP Exam Registration Codes

- Students will receive e-mail with two Join Codes
  - Class join code
  - Test only join code
- Both Codes need to be entered on College Board website
  - Login to [myap.collegeboard.org](http://myap.collegeboard.org)
  - Enter ALL join codes
  - If they already have an account, they must use the same login information
  - Call College Board at 888-225-5427 for help to access old account
  - College Board will not allow new account with same information
  - Use a personal E-mail. No Colegio/school account allowed by College Board
- **It is required to take the AP Exam of the class the student is taking. Students that are absent to the exam will be assessed a \$40 fee**



# Retakes

- Algebra I EOC & 10<sup>th</sup> Grade ELA exam are graduation requirements
- Retakes will be available
  - Fall: ELA & EOC
  - Winter: EOC
  - Spring: ELA & EOC
- **Students must go in person** to take the SAT, ACT or PSAT
- Students may use SAT/ACT/CLT to meet graduation requirements

	Algebra I EOC	10 <sup>th</sup> grade ELA
SAT	Math- 420	EBRW- 480
ACT	Math- 16	English & Reading Subtest (avg)-18
CLT	Quantitative Reasoning- 11	Verbal Reading & Grammar/Writing (Sum)- 36
PSAT	Math- 430	N/A

# How to register for SAT, ACT and CLT

- Students must register and pay for each of these exams directly through each of the organizations
- SAT: [www.collegeboard.org](http://www.collegeboard.org)
  - Saturday administrations- in person
  - Offered 7 times per year
- ACT: [www.act.org](http://www.act.org)
  - Saturday administrations- in person
  - Offered 7 times per year
- CLT: <https://www.cltexam.com/tests/clt/>
  - Saturday administrations- remote
  - Offered 12 times per year

# SAT Test Dates

[www.collegaboard.org](http://www.collegaboard.org)

SAT Test Date*	Deadline for Registration, Registration Changes, and Regular Cancellation
Aug 26, 2023	Aug 11, 2023
Oct 7, 2023	Sep 22, 2023 <a href="#">Register</a>
Nov 4, 2023	Oct 20, 2023 <a href="#">Register</a>
Dec 2, 2023	Nov 17, 2023 <a href="#">Register</a>

\*Your registration options will be limited if you aren't [taking the SAT for one of its main purposes](#).

## Spring 2024 Test Dates

SAT Test Date*	Registration Deadline	Deadline for Changes, Regular Cancellation, and Late Registration
Mar 9, 2024	Feb 23, 2024	February 27, 2024
May 4, 2024	Apr 19, 2024	April 23, 2024
June 1, 2024	May 16, 2024	May 21, 2024

# ACT Test Dates

[www.act.org](http://www.act.org)

## 2023-2024 Test Dates (National)

Test Date	Regular Registration Deadline Late Fee Applies After This Date
September 9, 2023	August 4
October 28, 2023	September 22
December 9, 2023	November 3
February 10, 2024	January 5
April 13, 2024	March 8
June 8, 2024	May 3
July 13, 2024*	June 7

# CLT Test Dates

<https://www.cltexam.com/>

## CLT Test Dates 2023-2024

Test Date	Location	Registration Date
June 22	Remotely Proctored	June 15
July 27	Remotely Proctored	July 20
August 17	Remotely Proctored	August 10
September 16	Remotely Proctored	September 11
October 14	Remotely Proctored	October 9
November 2	Remotely Proctored	October 26
December 2	Remotely Proctored	November 27

# Uniform Policy for Testing

- All students in Grades 6-12 must go in FULL uniform for ALL in-person exams

Uniform consists of:

- Solid WHITE POLO or with our Virtual school logo
- Navy Blue or Khaki Pants (NO JEANS)
- Regular Sneakers (NO CROCS, NO SLIDES, NO SANDALS)
- Current Student ID/Government issued ID

*Schools have the authority to turn around any student that does not attend testing in full uniform*

# Student IDs

Student IDs are required for in-person exams

- State exams
- SAT/ACT/CLT require a current ID
  - Valid driver's license
  - Florida ID Card
  - Current Passport
  - Current School ID

## Participating Locations/Dates:

- Somerset Chapel Trail- 20803 Johnson Street Pembroke Pines 33029
- SLAM Boca Raton- 22500 Hammock St, Boca Raton, FL 33428
- Somerset South Homestead- 305 NE 2nd Road Homestead, FL 33030
- Mater Brickell Academy- 230 SW 17th Rd, Miami, FL 33129
- Mater Lakes Academy- 17300 NW 87th Ave, Hialeah, FL 33015

Please note: If you are planning to take the ACT, SAT, or CLT this school year and need a current Student ID but cannot make any of these locations/dates, please visit your local DMV location to get a Florida Identification.

# Selecting a Test Site

- All students are required to take the Retakes, B.E.S.T. Writing, FAST Reading, FAST Math, B.E.S.T. EOCs, NGSSS EOCs, AP exams, FCLE and PSAT in person
- Use the following link to choose a test site convenient for you. This test site will be the same for all assessments
- Every effort should be made to be present on the scheduled date of the exam
- Keep in mind that every school test dates will be different and changes to those dates will not be possible
- Students not present for EOC exams will not receive a final grade of the course if absent

**Link: <https://forms.office.com/r/hsTb6WhWFp>**

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