

2017–2018 Uniform Statewide Assessment Calendar

According to Section 1008.22(7)(d), Florida Statutes (F.S.), and State Board of Education Rule 6A-1.094224, Florida Administrative Code (F.A.C.), each school district must complete this uniform calendar with district-required assessment information, publish the calendar to the district website, and provide it to the department by October 1 of each school year, beginning in 2016–17. Districts must provide completed calendars to schools and include the calendar in their parent guides. In addition, each school must publish the completed calendar on its website.

1. Glossary of Assessment Terms

The following glossary includes definitions of assessment terms and explanations of acronyms used throughout this template.

Acronym/ Term	Definition
ACCESS for ELLs	Assessing Comprehension and Communication in English State-to-State (ACCESS) for English Language Learners (ELLs)
Accommodation	Per Rule 6A-1.0943, F.A.C., “Accommodations are defined as adjustments to the presentation of the statewide standardized assessment questions, methods of recording examinee responses to the questions, scheduling for the administration of a statewide standardized assessment to include amount of time for administration, settings for administration of a statewide standardized assessment, and the use of assistive technology or devices to facilitate the student’s participation in a statewide standardized assessment.”
CBT	Computer-Based Test
Diagnostic	Assessments that measure students’ understanding of a subject area or skills base, which allow teachers and educators to evaluate student learning, focusing on strengths and areas of need
District Window	The selected dates within the statewide window during which a district will administer a given assessment
District-Required Assessments	Assessments required by the school district for students in a specific grade or course
ELA	English Language Arts
EOC	End-of-Course
Evaluative	Assessments that measure student proficiency at selected intervals in order to compare change over time and to compare state-level results
FAIR	Florida Assessments for Instruction in Reading
FLKRS	Florida Kindergarten Readiness Screener
Formative	Formative assessments are the formal and informal ways that teachers and students gather and respond to evidence of student learning. Formative assessments are part of teaching in the classroom. Formative assessments will not result in a score that will appear on a student's report card, but they serve the greater purpose of informing both students and teachers on what changes need to happen in classroom instruction to better serve the needs of individual students.
FSA	Florida Standards Assessments
FSAA	Florida Standards Alternate Assessment
Interim	Interim assessments are administered on a smaller scale (i.e., school or district) with results that can be used at the classroom level or aggregated at the school- or district-level. Depending on the design, interim assessments can be used to predict a student’s ability to succeed on a summative assessment, to evaluate a program, or to diagnose student learning gaps.
NAEP	National Assessment of Educational Progress
NGSSS	Next Generation Sunshine State Standards
PBT	Paper-Based Test
Progress Monitoring	Process used to determine whether a student’s academic performance is improving, at what rate it is improving, and how effective instruction has been

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Acronym/ Term	Definition
PSAT/NMSQT	Preliminary SAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test
Summative	Assessments that evaluate student mastery of Florida’s academic standards at or near the conclusion of the course of instruction
Statewide, Standardized Assessments	All assessments required by s. 1008.22 , Florida Statutes (F.S.)
Statewide Window	The range of dates during which districts and/or schools may choose to administer a given assessment
Testing Time	The amount of time individual students are each given to respond to test items on each test

2. Test, Type, and Purpose/ Use

Test	Type	Purpose/ Required Use	Statutory Authority/ Required Use Citation
ACCESS for ELLs 2.0	Diagnostic	Measure English language acquisition of ELLs	s. 1003.56, F.S.
Alternate ACCESS for ELLs	Diagnostic	Measure English language acquisition of ELLs with significant cognitive disabilities	Rule 6A-6.0902, F.A.C. Rule 6A-6.0903, F.A.C. Rule 6A-6.09021, F.A.C.
K-2 District Assessment	Summative	ELA, math, elementary art, elementary music, elementary PE assessments that evaluate student mastery of Florida’s academic standards at or near the conclusion of the course of instruction.	
3-5 District Assessment	Interim	Monitor student’s mastery of the Florida’s academic standards which will not result in a score that will appear on a student's report card, but will serve the greater purpose of informing both students and teachers on what changes need to happen in classroom instruction and identify learning gaps to better serve the needs of individual students.	
6-12 District Assessment	Formative	Monitor student’s mastery of the Florida’s academic standards throughout instruction and inform both students and teachers on what changes need to happen in classroom instruction and identify learning gaps to better serve the needs of individual students.	
ELA Portfolio	Summative & Formative	Monitor and evaluate student’s mastery of the Florida’s academic standards and inform both students and teachers on what changes need to happen in classroom instruction and identify learning gaps to better serve the needs of individual students.	
End of Term Assessment (EOT)/Final	Summative	Evaluate student mastery of Florida’s academic standards	



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Test	Type	Purpose/ Required Use	Statutory Authority/ Required Use Citation
FAIR	Diagnostic/Progress Monitoring	Provides general estimate of students' reading ability/monitors students' progress toward meeting grade-level skills in reading	s. 1008.25(4), F.S.
FastBridge	Diagnostic & Progress Monitoring	Determine effectiveness of core instruction and identify students in need of intervention	
FLKRS	Diagnostic/Progress Monitoring	Determine readiness for kindergarten; used to calculate VPK Provider Kindergarten Readiness Rates	s. 1002.69, F.S. Rule 6M-8.601, F.A.C.
FSA	Summative	Purpose: Measure student achievement of Florida's academic standards (Florida Standards, Next Generation Sunshine State Standards) Required uses: third grade retention; high school standard diploma; EOC assessments as 30% of course grade; school grades; school improvement rating; district grades; differentiated accountability; scholar designation; federal reporting; Credit Acceleration Program (CAP); school improvement plans; school, district, state, and federal reporting Optional uses: progress monitoring in accordance with student progress plan	s. 1008.22, F.S.
FSAA	Summative		Rule 6A-1.09422, F.A.C.
NGSSS EOC Assessments	Summative		Rule 6A-1.0943, F.A.C.
Statewide Science Assessment	Summative		Rule 6A-1.09432, F.A.C. Rule 6A-1.094223, F.A.C. s. 1008.25, F.S. Rule 6A-1.094221, F.A.C. Rule 6A-1.094222, F.A.C. s. 1003.4156, F.S. s. 1003.4282, F.S. s. 1008.34, F.S. Rule 6A-1.09981, F.A.C. s. 1008.341, F.S. Rule 6A-1.099822, F.A.C. s. 1008.33, F.S. Rule 6A-1.099811, F.A.C. s. 1012.34, F.S. s. 1002.38, F.S.
Kindergarten Skills Card	Progress Monitoring	Monitors whether a student's academic performance is improving, at what rate it is improving, and how effective instruction has been	
NAEP	Evaluative	Measure student performance for comparison among state and national populations over time	s. 1008.22, F.S.
PreACT	Summative	Inform course placement	s. 1007.35, F.S.
PSAT/NMSQT	Summative	Inform course placement	s. 1007.35, F.S.



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3. Required Statewide Assessments

The following assessments are required for students as indicated in the Students to Be Tested column. Grey rows indicate duplicate assessment windows (e.g., EOCs), assessments that take the place of another assessment, or assessments that do not have a specified testing time.

Assessment	Students to Be Tested	Statewide Window	District Window	Mode	Testing Time	Results Expected
FLKRS	Kindergarten	July 10–October 20, 2017	August 10 - September 21, 2017	CBT ¹	15–20 minutes	Immediately following test completion
FSAA—Datafolio	Students with significant cognitive disabilities for whom participation in the general statewide assessment is inappropriate, even with accommodations	Collection Period 1: September–October 2017	Collection Period 1: September–October 2017	PBT/CBT ¹ (based on IEP)	Varies/Untimed	June 2018
FSA Algebra 1 and Geometry EOC assessments	Students enrolled in associated courses	September 11–22, 2017	September 11–22, 2017	CBT ¹	180 minutes ²	October 2017
NGSSS Biology 1, Civics, and U.S. History EOC assessments	Students enrolled in associated courses	September 18–29, 2017	September 18–29, 2017	CBT ¹	160 minutes ³	October 2017
FSAA—Datafolio	Students with significant cognitive disabilities for whom participation in the general statewide assessment is inappropriate, even with accommodations	Collection Period 2: November–December 2017	Collection Period 2: November–December 2017	PBT/CBT ¹ (based on IEP)	Varies/Untimed	June 2018
FSA Algebra 1 and Geometry EOC assessments	Students enrolled in associated courses	November 27–December 15, 2017	November 27–December 15, 2017	CBT ¹	180 minutes ²	January 2018
NGSSS Biology 1, Civics, and U.S. History EOC assessments	Students enrolled in associated courses	November 27–December 15, 2017	November 27–December 15, 2017	CBT ¹	160 minutes ³	January 2018
FSAA—Datafolio	Students with significant cognitive disabilities for whom participation in the general statewide assessment is inappropriate, even with accommodations	Collection Period 3: February–March 2018	Collection Period 3: February–March 2018	PBT/CBT ¹ (based on IEP)	Varies/Untimed	June 2018
FSA ELA – Writing	Grades 8–10	March 1–9, 2018	March 1–9, 2018	CBT ¹	120 minutes	June 2018



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Assessment	Students to Be Tested	Statewide Window	District Window	Mode	Testing Time	Results Expected
FSA ELA – Writing	Grades 4–7	March 5–9, 2018	March 5–9, 2018	PBT	120 minutes	June 2018
FSA—Performance Task	Students with significant cognitive disabilities for whom participation in the general statewide assessment is inappropriate, even with accommodations	February 26–April 27, 2018	February 26–April 27, 2018	PBT/CBT ¹ (based on IEP)	Varies/Untimed	June 2018
FSA ELA – Reading	Grade 3	April 9–13, 2018	April 9–13, 2018	PBT	160 minutes	May 2018
FSA ELA – Reading	Grades 4–10	April 16–May 11, 2018	April 16–May 11, 2018	CBT ¹	Grades 4–5 Reading: 160 minutes Grades 6–8 Reading: 170 minutes Grades 9–10 Reading: 180 minutes	June 2018
FSA Mathematics	Grades 3–8	April 16–May 11, 2018	April 16–May 11, 2018	CBT ¹	Grades 3–5 Mathematics: 160 minutes Grades 6–8 Mathematics: 180 minutes	June 2018
FSA Algebra 1 and Geometry EOC assessments	Students enrolled in associated courses	April 16–May 11, 2018	April 16–May 11, 2018	CBT ¹	180 minutes ²	June 2018
NGSSS Biology 1, Civics, and U.S. History EOC assessments	Students enrolled in associated courses	April 16–May 11, 2018	April 16–May 11, 2018	CBT ¹	160 minutes ³	June 2018
NGSSS Statewide Science Assessment	Grades 5 and 8	April 30–May 4, 2018	April 30–May 4, 2018	PBT	160 minutes	June 2018
FSA Algebra 1 and Geometry EOC assessments	Students enrolled in associated courses	July 9–20, 2018	July 9–20, 2018	CBT ¹	180 minutes ²	August 2018



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Assessment	Students to Be Tested	Statewide Window	District Window	Mode	Testing Time	Results Expected
NGSSS Biology 1, Civics, and U.S. History EOC assessments	Students enrolled in associated courses	July 9–20, 2018	July 9–20, 2018	CBT ¹	160 minutes ³	August 2018

¹ Paper-based accommodations (e.g., regular print, large print, braille, one-item-per-page) for computer-based tests are available to eligible students if indicated as an accommodation on an IEP or Section 504 plan.

² Any student taking an FSA EOC assessment who has not completed a session by the end of the allotted time may continue working up to half the length of a typical school day.

³ Any student taking an NGSSS EOC assessment who has not completed the session by the end of the allotted time may continue working; however, testing must be completed within the same school day.

4. Statewide Assessments for **SELECT** Students

The following assessments are only intended for selected students/students in certain sub-groups.

Because the tests included in this section are not administered to all students or, in some cases, are optional for students, the testing time for these tests should not be included in the total testing time calculated in Section 6.

Assessment	Applicable Students ⁴	Statewide Window	District Window	Mode	Testing Time	Results Expected
FAIR	Grades 3–12	Assessment Period (AP) 1: First day of school– November 3, 2017	N/A	CBT ¹	45 minutes	1 week after
PreACT	Grade 10	September–December 2017	N/A	PBT	150 minutes	Approximately 2 weeks after testing
ELA Grade 10 Retake – Writing		September 11–22, 2017	September 11–22, 2017	CBT ¹	120 minutes ²	December 2017
ELA Grade 10 Retake – Reading		September 11–29, 2017	September 11–29, 2017	CBT ¹	180 minutes ²	December 2017
FCAT 2.0 Reading Retake		September 18–29, 2017	September 18–29, 2017	CBT ¹	Up to a typical school day	November 2017
PSAT/NMSQT	Grade 10	October 11, 2017	October 11, 2017	PBT	165 minutes	January 2018
FAIR	Grades 3–12	AP 2: November 6– February 9, 2018	N/A	CBT ¹	45 minutes	1 week after
ACCESS for ELLs 2.0	Grades K–12 currently classified as ELL with “LY” code	January 29–March 23, 2018	January 29–March 23, 2018	PBT	Kindergarten: 45 minutes Grades 1–12: 105– 245 minutes (varies by grade-level/tier)	June 2018



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Assessment	Applicable Students ⁴	Statewide Window	District Window	Mode	Testing Time	Results Expected
Alternate ACCESS for ELLs	Grades 1–12 with significant cognitive disabilities and currently classified as ELL with “LY” code	January 29–March 23, 2018	January 29–March 23, 2018	PBT	80 minutes	June 2018
NAEP – Civics, Geography, U.S. History, and Technology & Engineering Literacy	Grade 8	January 29–March 9, 2018	N/A	PBT and CBT	90–120 minutes	Spring 2019 (National results)
NAEP – Mathematics, Reading, and Science Pilots; Reading Special Studies	Grades 4, 8, and 12	January 29–March 9, 2018	N/A	CBT	90–120 minutes	N/A
FAIR	Grades 3–12	AP 3: February 12–June 8, 2018	N/A	CBT ¹	45 minutes	1 week after
ELA Grade 10 Retake – Writing		February 26–March 2, 2018	February 26–March 2, 2018	CBT ¹	120 minutes ²	May 2018
ELA Grade 10 Retake – Reading		March 19–April 6, 2018	March 19–April 6, 2018	CBT ¹	180 minutes ²	May 2018
FSA Algebra 1 Retake EOC ⁵		March 19–April 6, 2018	March 19–April 6, 2018	CBT ¹	180 minutes ²	May 2018
FCAT 2.0 Reading Retake		March 19–April 6, 2018	March 19–April 6, 2018	CBT ¹	Up to a typical school day	May 2018

¹ Paper-based accommodations (e.g., regular print, large print, braille, one-item-per-page) for computer-based tests are available to eligible students if indicated as an accommodation on an IEP or Section 504 plan.

² Any student taking an FSA ELA Retake or EOC assessment who has not completed the session by the end of the allotted time may continue working up to half the length of a typical school day.

³ Any student taking an NGSSS EOC assessment who has not completed a session by the end of the allotted time may continue working; however, testing must be completed within the same school day.

⁴ If indicated, “applicable students” relates to the sub-group(s) of students who may take that assessment; it does not indicate that all students throughout the state in that sub-group will take that assessment. Assessments for which no applicable student group is listed are available to students as needed but are not limited to any specific sub-group.

⁵ The FSA Algebra 1 EOC Assessment is only offered as a separate Retake assessment during the Spring administration; students retaking the FSA Algebra 1 EOC in Fall, Winter, or Summer participate in the regular EOC administration.



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5. District-Required Assessment Information

Complete the table below with assessments that are required for all schools in your district.

Assessment	Students to Be Tested	District Window	Mode	Testing Time	Results Expected
ELA Portfolio	Grade 3	August 21, 2017-March 16, 2018	CBT	120 minutes	March 31, 2018
FastBridge Reading and Math	Grades K-5	August 14-September 29, 2017	CBT	40 minutes	Close of each window
FastBridge Reading	Grades 6-10 (select students)	August 21-September 15, 2017	CBT	20 minutes	Close of window
District Assessment – Art, Music and PE Pre-test	Grade 2	August 21-September 15, 2017	CBT	90 minutes (30 minutes each subject)	Close of each window
Kindergarten Skills Card	Grade K	August 10, 2017-May 24, 2018	PBT	Varies/Untimed	Monthly
District Assessment	Grades 6-12	September 11, 2017-May 24, 2018	CBT	Varies/Untimed	Weekly
High School End of Term Assessments (EOT)/ Finals	Grade 9-12	October 9-13, 2017	PBT	240 minutes	Close of each window
District Assessment – ELA	Grades 4-5	October 2-20, 2017	CBT	45 minutes	Close of each window
District Assessment – Science	Grade 5	October 2-20, 2017	CBT	45 minutes	Close of each window
District Assessment – Math	Grades 3-5	October 2-20, 2017	CBT	40 minutes	Close of each window
FastBridge Reading	Grades 6-8 (select students) Grades 9-10 (select students)	November 27-December 22, 2017 November 6-December 8, 2017	CBT	20 minutes	Close of each window
FastBridge Reading and Math	Grades K-5	November 27-December 22, 2017	CBT	40 minutes	Close of each window
District Assessment – Math	Grades 3-5	November 27-December 22, 2017	CBT	40 minutes	Close of each window
Middle School End of Term Assessments (EOT) – Agri-Science, Technology, Business, Exploring Music, Studio Art 1 & 2 and Health	Grades 6-8 (select students)	December 1-22, 2017	CBT	40 minutes	Close of each window



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High School End of Term Assessments (EOT)/ Finals	Grade 9-12	December 18-22, 2017	CBT	240 minutes	Close of each window
FastBridge Reading	Grades 9-10 (select students)	January 22-February 16, 2018	CBT	20 minutes	Close of each window
District Assessment – ELA	Grades 4-5	January 16-February 2, 2018	CBT	45 minutes	Close of each window
District Assessment – Science	Grade 5	January 16-February 2, 2018	CBT	45 minutes	Close of each window
District Assessment – Math	Grades 3-5	February 5-March 16, 2018	CBT	40 minutes	Close of each window
High School End of Term Assessments (EOT)/ Finals	Grade 9-12	March 12-16, 2018	CBT	240 minutes	Close of each window
FastBridge Reading	Grades 9-10 (select students) Grades 6-8 (select students)	April 2-27, 2018 April 16-May 11, 2018	CBT	20 minutes	Close of each window
FastBridge Reading and Math	Grades K-4 (5th grade is optional)	April 2-May 24, 2018	CBT	40 minutes	Close of each window
District Assessment – Art, Music and PE Post-test	Grade 2	April 30-May 24, 2018	CBT	90 minutes (30 minutes each subject)	Close of each window
District Assessment- ELA & Math	Grades K-2	April 30-May 24, 2018	CBT	75 minutes (ELA-45 min; Math-30 min)	Close of window
Middle School End of Term Assessments (EOT) – PE	Grades 6-8	May 1-24, 2018	CBT	40 minutes	Close of each window
Middle School End of Term Assessments (EOT) – US History	Grade 6 & 8	May 1-24, 2018	CBT	40 minutes	Close of each window
Middle School End of Term Assessments (EOT) – Science	Grade 6 & 7	May 1-24, 2018	CBT	40 minutes	Close of each window



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Assessment	Students to Be Tested	District Window	Mode	Testing Time	Results Expected
Middle School End of Term Assessments (EOT) – Agri-Science, AVID, Band, Business, Chorus, Exploring Music, Gifted, Health, Journalism, Studio Art, Technology	Grades 6-8 (select students)	May 1-24, 2018	CBT	40 minutes	Close of each window
High School End of Term Assessments (EOT)/ Finals	Grade 9-12	May 21-24, 2018	CBT	240 minutes	Close of each window

6. Estimates of Total Testing Time by Grade Level

Estimates of average time for administering state-required and district-required assessments (listed in Sections 3 and 5 above) by grade level. Subject-based assessments should be included with the grade level to which they are most likely to be administered (e.g., Biology 1 with grade 9).

Grade Level	Statewide Assessments	District Assessments	Approximate Total Testing Time (In Minutes)	Percentage of Total Testing Time (approximate based on 54,000 instructional minutes in a school year)
K	15–20	195	215	<1%
1	0	195	195	<1%
2	0	375	375	<1%
3	320	360	680	1%
4	440	330	770	1%
5	600	380	980	2%
6	470	120	590	1%
7	630	80	710	1%
8	630	80	710	1%
9	640	960	1600	3%
10	480	960	1440	3%
11	160	960	1120	2%
12	0	960	960	2%

