

2020–2021 Uniform Statewide Assessment Calendar

According to Section 1008.22(7)(c), 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.

The statewide assessment information in sections 3 and 4 should not be altered; however, districts may otherwise modify and populate this template to accurately indicate their assessment schedules for the school year.

1. Glossary of Assessment Terms

The following glossary includes definitions of assessment terms and explanations of acronyms used throughout this template. Districts may add rows as needed for additional glossary terms that are specific to district-required assessments. Do not modify any other information in this section.

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

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	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
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, 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
VAM	A Value-Added Model (VAM) is used by some school districts as part of their educator evaluation system. It is also used in the approval process for teacher preparation programs, as part of the criteria for teachers to qualify for a financial award under the Florida Best and Brightest Teacher Scholarship program and as part of the criteria to extend an educator’s temporary teaching certificate.
VPK	Florida’s Voluntary Prekindergarten Education Program

2. Test, Type, and Purpose/Use

Add rows as needed to define district-required tests, test type, and their purpose/use in your district. If additional types are added, define applicable types in the glossary. Do not modify any other information in this section.

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-6.09021, F.A.C. Rule 6A-6.0903, F.A.C.
FAIR	Diagnostic/Progress Monitoring	Provides general estimates of students’ reading ability/monitors students’ progress toward meeting grade-level skills in reading	s. 1008.25(4), F.S.
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;	s. 1002.38, F.S. s. 1003.4156, F.S. s. 1003.4282, F.S.
FSAA	Summative		
NGSSS EOC	Summative		
Statewide Science Assessment	Summative		

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		school improvement rating; district grades; differentiated accountability; VAM; scholar designation; Credit Acceleration Program; school improvement plans; school, district, state, and federal reporting	s. 1004.04, F.S. s. 1004.85, F.S. s. 1008.22, F.S. s. 1008.25, F.S. s. 1008.33, F.S. s. 1008.34, F.S. s. 1008.341, F.S. s. 1012.34, F.S. s. 1012.56, F.S. s. 1012.731, F.S. Rule 6A-1.09422, F.A.C. Rule 6A-1.094221, F.A.C. Rule 6A-1.094222, F.A.C. Rule 6A-1.0943, F.A.C. Rule 6A-1.09432, F.A.C. Rule 6A-1.09981, F.A.C. Rule 6A-1.099811, F.A.C. Rule 6A-1.099822, F.A.C. Rule 6A-5.0411, F.A.C.
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.
MAP	Diagnostic/Progress Monitoring	Measures of Academic Progress (MAP); measures student performance on Florida standards over time	
PCS Common Assessment	Summative	Measure student achievement of Florida’s academic standards at or near the in selected elementary non-state assessed courses.	
PCS Cycle Assessment	Diagnostic/Progress Monitoring	Measure students’ understanding of and progress towards mastery of Florida standards in state assessed content areas.	
PCS Exam	Summative	Measure of student achievement of course standards at or near the end of a non-state assessed course.	
PCS Gap	Diagnostic	Measure of students’ readiness for state science assessments	
PCS Midterm Exam	Summative	Measure of student achievement of course standards at or near the midterm of a year-long course.	
PCS Portfolio Assessment	Progress Monitoring	Monitors students’ progress toward meeting grade-level skills in reading; part of grade 3 portfolio	

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3. Required Statewide Assessments

The following assessments are required for students as indicated in the Students to Be Tested column.

Populate the **District Window** column for each assessment in the table below. Do not modify any other information in this section. When calculating total test time in Section 6, do not include times for assessments indicated by grey rows, which 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 13– October 16 December 18, 2020	July 13– October 16 December 18, 2020	CBT ¹	15–20 minutes	Immediately following test completion
FSA—Datafolio ⁴	Grades 3–10 ELA (Reading & Writing); Grades 3–8 Mathematics; Grades 5 & 8 Science; and Algebra 1, Biology 1, Civics, Geometry, & U.S. History EOCs	Collection Period 1: September–October 2020	Collection Period 1: September–October 2020	PBT	Varies/Untimed	June 2021
FSA Algebra 1 and Geometry EOC assessments	Students enrolled in associated courses	September 14– October 2 November 20, 2020	September 14– October 2 November 20, 2020	CBT ¹	180 minutes ²	October 2020
NGSSS Biology 1, Civics, and U.S. History EOC assessments	Students enrolled in associated courses	September 14– October 2 November 20, 2020	September 14– October 2 November 20, 2020	CBT ¹	160 minutes ³	October 2020
FSA—Datafolio ⁴	Grades 3–10 ELA (Reading & Writing); Grades 3–8 Mathematics; Grades 5 & 8 Science; and Algebra 1, Biology 1, Civics, Geometry, & U.S. History EOCs	Collection Period 2: November–December 2020	Collection Period 2: November–December 2020	PBT	Varies/Untimed	June 2021
FSA Algebra 1 and Geometry EOC assessments	Students enrolled in associated courses	November 30–December 18, 2020, and January 4–20, 2021	November 30–December 18, 2020, and January 4–20, 2021	CBT ¹	180 minutes ²	January 2021

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NGSSS Biology 1, Civics, and U.S. History EOC assessments	Students enrolled in associated courses	November 30–December 18, 2020, and January 4–20, 2021	November 30–December 18, 2020, and January 4–20, 2021	CBT ¹	160 minutes ³	January 2021
FSAA—Datafolio ⁴	Grades 3–10 ELA (Reading & Writing); Grades 3–8 Mathematics; Grades 5 & 8 Science; and Algebra 1, Biology 1, Civics, Geometry, & U.S. History EOCs	Collection Period 3: March–April 2021	Collection Period 3: March–April 2021 *Spring break 3/15-3/19	PBT	Varies/Untimed	June 2021
FSAA—Performance Task ⁵	Grades 3–8 ELA & Mathematics; Grades 4–8 Writing; Grades 5 & 8 Science; and Civics EOC	March 1– April 16 May 14, 2021	March 1–May 14, 2021 *Spring break 3/15-3/19	PBT	Varies/Untimed	June 2021
FSAA—Performance Task ⁵	Grades 9 & 10 ELA; Grades 9 & 10 Writing; and Algebra 1, Biology 1, Geometry, and U.S. History EOCs	March 15– April 30 May 28, 2021	March 15–May 28, 2021 *Spring break 3/15-3/19	PBT	Varies/Untimed	June 2021
FSA ELA – Reading	Grade 3	April 5–16, 2021	April 5–16, 2021	PBT	160 minutes	May 2021
FSA ELA – Writing	Grades 4–6	April 5–16, 2021	April 5–16, 2021	PBT	120 minutes	June 2021
FSA ELA – Writing	Grades 7–10	April 5–16, 2021	April 5–16, 2021	CBT ¹	120 minutes	June 2021
FSA ELA – Reading	Grades 4–6	May 3–14, 2021	May 3–14, 2021	PBT	Grades 4–5 Reading: 160 minutes Grade 6 Reading: 170 minutes	June 2021
FSA Mathematics	Grades 3–6	May 3–14, 2021	May 3–14, 2021	PBT	Grades 3–5 Mathematics: 160 minutes Grade 6 Mathematics: 180 minutes	June 2021

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FSA ELA – Reading	Grades 7–10	May 3–28, 2021	May 3–28, 2021	CBT ¹	Grades 7–8 Reading: 170 minutes Grades 9–10 Reading: 180 minutes	June 2021
FSA Mathematics	Grades 7 and 8	May 3–28, 2021	May 3–28, 2021	CBT ¹	180 minutes	June 2021
FSA Algebra 1 and Geometry EOC assessments	Students enrolled in associated courses	May 3–28, 2021	May 3–28, 2021	CBT ¹	180 minutes ²	June 2021
NGSSS Biology 1, Civics, and U.S. History EOC assessments	Students enrolled in associated courses	May 3–28, 2021	May 3–28, 2021	CBT ¹	160 minutes ³	June 2021
NGSSS Statewide Science Assessment	Grades 5 and 8	May 10–21, 2021	May 10–21, 2021	PBT	160 minutes	June 2021
FSA Algebra 1 and Geometry EOC assessments	Students enrolled in associated courses	July 12–23, 2021	July 12–23, 2021	CBT ¹	180 minutes ²	August 2021
NGSSS Biology 1, Civics, and U.S. History EOC assessments	Students enrolled in associated courses	July 12–23, 2021	July 12–23, 2021	CBT ¹	160 minutes ³	August 2021

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 The FSAA—Datafolio is designed for students with significant cognitive disabilities for whom participation in the general statewide assessment or the FSAA—Performance Task is inappropriate, even with accommodations.

⁵ The FSAA—Performance Task is designed for students with significant cognitive disabilities for whom participation in the general statewide assessment is inappropriate, even with accommodations.

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4. Statewide Assessments for SELECT Students

The following assessments are only intended for selected students/students in certain sub-groups. Populate the **District Window** column for the assessments in the table below. If an assessment is not being administered in your district, indicate “N/A” in the District Window column. Do not modify any other information in this section.

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: July 31–November 6, 2020	N/A	CBT ¹	45 minutes	1 week after
PreACT	Grade 10	September–December 2020	N/A	PBT	150 minutes	Approximately 2 weeks after testing
ELA Grade 10 Retake – Writing		September 14– October 2 December 18, 2020	September 14– October 2 December 18, 2020	CBT ¹	120 minutes ²	December 2020
ELA Grade 10 Retake – Reading		September 14– October 2 December 18, 2020	September 14– October 2 December 18, 2020	CBT ¹	180 minutes ²	December 2020
FSAA—Performance Task ⁶ Grade 10 ELA and Algebra 1 EOC Makeup		September 28– October 16 December 18, 2020	September 28– October 16 December 18, 2020	PBT	Varies/Untimed	December 2020
PSAT/NMSQT	Grade 10	October 14, 2020 October 17, 2020 October 29, 2020 January 26, 2021	October 14, 2020	PBT	165 minutes	January 2021
FAIR	Grades 3–12	AP 2: November 9, 2020–February 12, 2021	N/A	CBT ¹	45 minutes	1 week after
ACCESS for ELLs	Grades K–12 currently classified as ELL with “LY” code	January 25– March 19 May 28, 2021	January 25– March 19 May 28, 2021	PBT	Kindergarten: 45 minutes Grades 1–12: 105–245 minutes (varies by grade-level/tier)	June 2021

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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 25– March 19 May 28, 2021	January 25– March 19 May 28, 2021 *Spring break 3/15-3/19	PBT	80 minutes	June 2021
NAEP	Grades 4 and 8	January–March 2021	January–March 2021	CBT	90–120 minutes	Fall 2021 (<i>National, State, and Trial Urban District Assessment results</i>): Mathematics and Reading, Grades 4 and 8 Spring 2022 (National results): Grade 8 Civics and U.S. History
FAIR	Grades 3–12	AP 3: February 15–June 11, 2021	N/A	CBT ¹	45 minutes	1 week after
ELA Grade 10 Retake – Writing		February 22–March 12, 2021	February 22–March 12, 2021	CBT ¹	120 minutes ²	May 2021
ELA Grade 10 Retake – Reading		February 22–March 12, 2021	February 22–March 12, 2021	CBT ¹	180 minutes ²	May 2021
FSA Algebra 1 Retake EOC ⁵		February 22–March 12, 2021	February 22–March 12, 2021	CBT ¹	180 minutes ²	May 2021

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 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 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.

⁶ The FSAA—Performance Task is designed for students with significant cognitive disabilities for whom participation in the general statewide assessment is inappropriate, even with accommodations.

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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
Reading Cycle 1	Grades 9-10	August 27-September 25, 2020	CBT	Up to 60 minutes	Same day
Writing Cycle 1	Grades K-10	August 27-September 25, 2020 (Grades 9-10) September 15-28, 2020 (Grades 6-8) November 9-13, 2020 (Grades K-5)	PBT (Grades K-5) CBT (Grades 6-10)	Average of 60 minutes (Grades K-5) Up to 120 minutes (Grades 6-10)	7 business days after the close of testing window
Instructional Diagnostic Assessment – ELA & Science	Grades 6-8	August 31-September 11, 2020	CBT	Up to 45 minutes per content area	Same day
MAP – Reading & Math (Fall)	Grades 1-5	September 1-25, 2020	CBT	Untimed; average per subtest: 35 min Grade 1 45 min Grade 2 55 min Grade 3 60 min Grade 4 65 min Grade 5	Next day
Science Gap Diagnostic Assessment	Grade 5	September 8-18, 2020 (Grade 5)	CBT	Up to 60 minutes (Grade 5)	Same day
Cycle 1 Assessment for FSA EOC and NGSS EOC Courses	Students enrolled in associated courses	October 5-23, 2020 (Grades 9-12) October 7-21, 2020 (Grades 7-8)	CBT	Up to 45 minutes	Same day
Mathematics Cycle 1 Assessment	Grades 6-8	October 7-21, 2020	CBT	Up to 45 minutes	Same day

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Assessment	Students to Be Tested	District Window	Mode	Testing Time	Results Expected
Science Cycle 1	Grades 5	November 2-13, 2020	CBT	Up to 60 minutes	Same day
Reading Cycle 2	Grades 9-10	November 30, 2020 – January 15, 2021	CBT	Up to 60 minutes	Same day
Writing Cycle 2	Grades K-10	November 30, 2020 – January 15, 2021 (Grades 9-10) January 7-20, 2021 (Grades 6-8) February 22-26, 2020 (Grades K-5)	PBT (Grades K-5) CBT (Grades 6-10)	Average of 60 minutes (Grades K-5) Up to 120 minutes (Grades 6-10)	7 business days after the close of testing window
MAP – Reading & Math (Winter)	Grades K-5	December 1-17, 2020	CBT	Untimed; average per subtest: 30 min Grade K 35 min Grade 1 45 min Grade 2 55 min Grade 3 60 min Grade 4 65 min Grade 5	Next day
Midterm and Final Exams	Grades 6-12	December 14, 2020-January 7, 2021 (Visual Arts) January 11-14, 2021 (Grades 6-8) January 12-15, 2021 (Grades 9-12)	CBT & PBT	Up to 90 minutes per course	Same day
ELA Module C Portfolio Assessment	Grade 3	January 13-15, 2020	PBT	Up to 60 minutes	Same day
Science Cycle 2	Grade 5	February 22-March 5, 2021	CBT	Up to 60 minutes	Same day
Science Gap Assessment	Grade 8	March 22-31, 2021	CBT	Up to 45 minutes	Same day

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Assessment	Students to Be Tested	District Window	Mode	Testing Time	Results Expected
MAP – Reading & Math (Spring)	Grades K-2	March 23-April 16, 2021	CBT	Untimed; average per subtest: 30 min Grade K 35 min Grade 1 45 min Grade 2	Next day
Art & Music Common Assessment	Grade 5	April 19-May 21, 2021	CBT	Up to 45 minutes per course	Same day
Final Exams	Grades 6-12	April 26-May 7, 2021 (Visual & Performing Arts) June 3-8, 2021 (Grades 6-8) June 3-9, 2021 (Grades 9-12)	CBT & PBT	Up to 90 minutes per course	Same day

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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)
K	15–20	240	260
1	0	330	330
2	0	390	390
3	320	400	720
4	440	360	800
5	600	650	1250
6	470	1275	1745
7	630	1230	1860
8	630	1275	1905
9	640	1170	1810
10	480	1125	1605
11	160	765	925
12	0	720	720