



FAST

FLORIDA ASSESSMENT OF STUDENT THINKING

FAST refers to the new Coordinated Screening Progress Monitoring (CSPM) System assessments, which are aligned to the Benchmarks for Excellent Student Thinking (B.E.S.T.) Standards.

FAST assessments include VPK through grade 10 English Language Arts and VPK through grade 8 Mathematics.

Dates for the three windows during the 2022–2023 school year:

- PM1: August 15–September 30, 2022 (K–2: August 8)
- PM2: December 5, 2022–January 27, 2023
- PM3: May 1–June 2, 2023

VPK–2 Administration

- The FAST VPK assessments will be aligned to the Florida Early Learning and Developmental Standards. The Kindergarten and grades 1 and 2 assessments will be aligned to the Benchmarks for Excellent Student Thinking (B.E.S.T.) Standards.
- FAST VPK–2 assessments are Renaissance’s Star Early Literacy, Star Reading, and Star Mathematics.
- Each test will be administered in one session. It is recommended that each student take only one subject test in a day.
- Tests will be computer-adaptive, administered through a web browser (headphones required, but only for VPK–2).

Grades 3–10 Administration

- Each subject-area test will be administered in one session. It is recommended that each student take only one subject test in a day.
- PM1 and PM2 will be used for informational purposes only and will not be used in accountability.
- PM3 will be a summative assessment used for accountability purposes (2023 is a baseline year).
- Tests will be computer-adaptive through Cambium’s Test Delivery System (TDS) secure browser.

Remote Testing

- Available for FAST assessments during PM1 and PM2 only.
- Available for students enrolled full-time in a virtual school program or for those students who are hospital/homebound.
- Not available for PM3, grades 5 & 8 Science, EOCs, or retake administrations.

Sample Test Materials (STMs)

- The Department will provide Sample Test Materials (STMs) for the FAST assessments.
- STMs will be online only and will be aligned to the B.E.S.T. Standards.
- Online practice sessions for FAST assessments will not be required for students.
- The calculator for Grades 7–8 Mathematics is available [here](#). The Grade 6 Mathematics calculator is available [here](#).
- STMs may not have a sample of every item type for the 2022–2023 school year, but the Department will continue to add item types as they are available.