



Gulf High School



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Dear Parent/Guardian,

The purpose of this letter is to inform you that your student will take the computer-based ELA Writing/ELA Reading/Mathematics and/or Algebra 1/Biology 1/Geometry/U.S. History End-of-Course (EOC) assessment(s). Please see attached schedule for planning purposes. Your student's test and specific start times will be posted in a timely manner on each student's myLearning Announcement page.

Per the Florida Department of Education (FDOE), no remote administrations are available for any statewide summative assessments.

For information regarding test session lengths and other information about the assessments, see the "About the Assessments" page on the portal: <https://fsassessments.org/florida-statewide-assessment-program.shtml>.

There is a practice test your student can utilize to become familiar with the computer-based testing platform, item types, and response formats he or she will see on the assessment(s). If you or your student would like to review the computer-based practice test at home, the practice tests and answer keys are available at <https://FSAssessments.org/students-and-families/practice-tests/computer-based-materials/index.shtml>.

Please review the following policies with your student before testing:

- **Electronic Devices**—Students are not permitted to have any electronic devices, including, but not limited to, cell phones, smartphones, and smartwatches, at any time during testing or during breaks (e.g., restroom), **even if the devices are turned off or students do not use them.** If your student is found with an electronic device, his or her test will be invalidated.
- **Calculator Policy**—For Algebra 1 and Geometry EOC assessments, **approved calculators may be used during Session 2 only.** If students have handheld calculators during Session 1, their tests will be invalidated. For Biology 1 EOC, a handheld four-function calculator may be used only if the school provides all students with a handheld four-function calculator.
- **Testing Rules Acknowledgment**—All tests include a Testing Rules Acknowledgment that reads: "I understand the testing rules that were just read to me. If I do not follow these rules, my test score may be invalidated." Prior to testing, test administrators read the rules to students, and students acknowledge that they understand the testing rules by clicking a checkbox beside the statement in the secure browser.
- **Discussing Test Content after Testing**—The last portion of the testing rules read to students before they affirm the Testing Rules Acknowledgment states that because the content of all statewide assessments is secure, students may not discuss or reveal details about the test content (including test items, passages, and prompts) after the test. This includes any type of electronic communication, such as texting, emailing, or posting to social media sites. Please make sure your student understands this policy prior to testing and remind them that "discussing" test content includes any kind of electronic communication, such as texting, emailing, posting to social media, or sharing online. **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.**
- **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



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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.

- **Leaving Campus**—If your student leaves campus before completing a test session (e.g., for lunch, an appointment, illness), he or she **will not** be allowed to return to that test session. If your student does not feel well on the day of testing, it may be best for him or her to wait and be tested on a make-up day. Please remember not to schedule appointments on testing days.
- **Testing Accommodations**—If your student has an Individual Education Plan (IEP), a Section 504 Plan, or is an English Language Learner (ELL) or a recently exited ELL, please contact the school to discuss the testing accommodations that will be provided for your student.

If you have any questions related to this test administration, please contact Mrs. Resto at jresto@pasco.k12.fl.us about the following assessments:

FSA ELA Writing

FSA ELA Reading

AICE English General Paper 1 & 2

U.S. History EOC

If you have any questions related to this test administration, please contact Mrs. Stacey at sstacey@pasco.k12.fl.us about the following assessments:

Algebra 1 EOC

Biology EOC

Geometry EOC

For more information about the Florida Statewide Assessments program, please visit the portal at www.FSAssessments.org.

Thank you for supporting your student and encouraging him or her to do his or her best during Spring 2021 assessments.

Sincerely,

Jeff Morgenstein
Principal

Updated 2021 Spring Assessment Schedule

AICE, EOC, FSA, FSAA (Access Standards), & WIDA

3/22–4/30: FSAA (HS Students pursuing Access Standards)
3/25: Algebra Day 1 & FSA ELA Reading (11th & 12th) Make-up Day
3/26: Algebra Day 2 & FSA ELA Writing (11th & 12th) Make-up Day
4/6–4/7: FSA ELA Writing - MSO (9th & 10th Grade)
4/8–4/9: FSA ELA Writing - Traditional (9th Grade)
4/12–4/13: FSA ELA Writing - Traditional (10th Grade)
4/14: FSA ELA Writing Make-ups (9th Grade)
4/15: FSA ELA Writing Make-ups (10th Grade)
4/26: AICE English General Paper 1
4/28: AICE English General Paper 2
5/3: Algebra 1 EOC Day 1 (MSO) – AM, Geometry EOC Day 1 (MSO) - PM
5/4: Algebra 1 EOC Day 2 (MSO) – AM, Geometry EOC Day 2 (MSO) - PM
5/5: FSA ELA Reading Day 1: 9th Gr – MSO in AM, 10th Gr – MSO in PM
5/6: FSA ELA Reading Day 2: 9th Gr – MSO in AM, 10th Gr – MSO in PM
5/7: US History EOC (MSO) – AM, Algebra 1 EOC Day 1 (Traditional) – PM
5/10: Biology EOC (MSO) – AM, Algebra 1 EOC Day 2 (Traditional) – PM
5/10: AP World History
5/11: Algebra 1 EOC Day 1 (Traditional) – AM, Geometry EOC Day 1 – Traditional (9th/10th Grade) – PM
5/12: Algebra 1 EOC Day 2 (Traditional) – AM, Geometry EOC Day 2 – Traditional (9th/10th Grade) – PM
5/13: FSA ELA Reading Day 1: 9th Gr – Traditional – AM, 10th Gr – Traditional – PM
5/14: FSA ELA Reading Day 2: 9th Gr – Traditional – AM, 10th Gr – Traditional – PM
5/17–5/21: US History EOC (Traditional) – AM
5/24: Biology EOC (Traditional) – AM, Geometry EOC Day 1 – Traditional (11th/12th Grade) – PM
5/25: Biology EOC (Traditional) – AM, Geometry EOC Day 2 – Traditional (11th/12th Grade) – PM

Administrator Testing Contacts:

ACT/SAT/PERT: Strasser
AICE English General Paper: Martin
AP/IB: Macri
District Finals: Mazurowski
EOCs: Mazurowski
FSA ELA (Writing/Reading): Mazurowski
FSAA: Luter
PSAT: Macri
Quarterly Assessment: Mazurowski
WIDA: Martin

ACT, ASVAB, PERT, PSAT & SAT

1/28: PERT
1/26: PSAT
3/2, 3/9, 3/10: ACT School Day Non-Reportable (11th & 12th Grade)
3/24: SAT School Day Reportable (11th Grade)
3/30: ASVAB
3/31: PERT (As needed)

AP & IB Exams

5/3: AP US Government & Politics – AM; IB History - PM
5/4: AP Calculus – AM; AP Human Geography – PM
5/5: IB History – AM; IB Language A – PM; AP Literature – PM
5/6: AP US History – AM; IB Math – PM
5/7: IB Math – AM; IB Economics – PM
5/10: AP French – AM; IB Economics – AM; IB Language A/B - PM
5/11: AP Spanish – AM; IB Math – AM; AP Psychology – PM
5/12: AP Language – AM; AP Music Theory – PM
5/13: AP Computer Science – AM; AP Statistics – PM; IB Spanish – PM
5/14: AP Biology – AM; AP Environmental Science – PM
5/19: IB Biology – AM; IB Psychology – PM
5/20: IB Psychology – AM; IB French – PM

Quarterly Assessments

3/9 - 3/12: Biology & History Quarterly Check 3
4/20 - 4/22: NWEA Geometry
4/16 - 4/19: Algebra 1 Readiness
5/18 - 5/20: Achieve 3000

District Final Exams

5/18 - 5/21: District Final Exams (If your class does not have a District Final, you may use this timeframe for your course exam. Otherwise, you will need to give your course exam prior to the District Finals exam timeframe.)

District Final Schedule:

1st Class: 7:25 – 7:55
2nd Class (EXAM): 8:00 – 9:30
3rd Class: 9:35 – 10:05
4A Lunch: 10:05 – 10:35
4A Class: 10:40 – 11:45
4B Class: 10:05 – 10:35, 11:15 – 11:45
4B Lunch: 10:40 – 11:10
4C Class: 10:05 – 11:10
4C Lunch: 11:15 – 11:45
5th Class (EXAM): 11:50 1:20
6th Class: 1:25 – 2:03

ROTATION OF PERIODS & EXAMS

5/18: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 (Exams are 2 & 5)
5/19: 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 1 (Exams are 3 & 6)
5/20: 3, 4, 5, 6, 1, 2 (Exams are 4 & 1)