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Dear Everglades High School Parent/Guardian,

The School Board of Broward County, Florida

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The Florida Assessment of Student Thinking (FAST) is a progress monitoring tool that will be administered three times per year to track your student's progress in learning the Benchmarks of Excellent Student Thinking (B.E.S.T.) Standards throughout this school year. All 9th and 10th grade students will participate in the first administration (PM1) of the Florida Assessment of Student Thinking (FAST) Reading assessment on Thursday, September 1th. Your student's results from PM1 are for informational purposes only, and you will be provided with information about how to access the results after testing is completed.

FAST assessments are computer-adaptive tests taken on a computer. The questions get easier or more difficult depending on how the student responds, and each student will see different questions from a common item bank. Each test attempt (PM1, PM2, and PM3) will present 35–40 items that will cover the entire test "blueprint," meaning students will encounter items representative of the standards within the subject or grade level. For more information on the test design, please visit https://www.tldoe.org/accountability/assessments/k-12-student-assessment/best/. If you or your student would like to interact with the online testing platform or review FAST Reading sample items at home, sample test materials are available at https://fitast.org/families.html.

If you have any questions related to this test administration, you may contact the School Assessment Specialist, Mr. Lanfranco, at <u>leandy.lanfrancopena@browardschools.com</u>.

For more information about the FAST program, please visit the portal at <u>FLFAST.org</u>.

Thank you for supporting your student and encouraging him or her to do his or her best during this test administration.

Sincerely,

Seah Curran Principal