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Dear Parent/Guardian:

RE: Spring 2021 Florida State Assessments

On February 15, 2021, the Florida Department of Education issued Executive Order No. 2021- EO-01 that modified requirements for the State of Florida Spring Assessment. It is effective immediately and will remain effective through the 2021 summer semester. Therefore, we will test all eligible students in grades 9 and 10 for Florida Standard Assessments (FSAs) and on specific high school level courses with End-of-Course exams (EOCs), with the ACCESS test for English Language Learners (ELLs), and with the Florida Standards Alternate Assessments (FSAAAs) for certain Students with Disabilities (SWDs). The Order extends the testing windows which will allow for fewer students to be on campus on any particular testing day.

There is no process to opt-out of testing. The State of Florida does not provide a parental optout mechanism, including writing to your child's school or to the District. **Testing can only occur at the school.** The State of Florida does not allow for testing from home or another non-school site. If a student is not physically present by being in school for the exam, the student will be marked absent. Students who are currently learning remotely must come into the school building to take their scheduled test(s). The District will provide services such as bus transportation and school meals for eligible students on the dates those students need to come into school for testing. Parents can also provide their own transportation.

The first scheduled state assessment is the **9 and 10 grade FSA ELA Writing** which will be administered between **April 5, 2021 and April 30, 2021**. Parents and students will receive notification of the student's specific scheduled testing date by March 15, 2021. In order for us to determine your transportation needs, please visit your child's **Virtual Counselor** at <https://www.browardschools.com/virtualcounselor> to complete the **one-question survey** to indicate whether your child will need bus transportation on testing days. The survey will close on **Thursday, March 11, 2021 at 5:00 pm.**