



Westpine Middle School

Christopher Johnson - Principal

9393 Northwest 50th Street

Sunrise, Florida 33351

phone: 754-322-4900 • fax: 754-322-4985

christopher.johnson@browardschools.com

browardschools.com/westpine

**The School Board of
Broward County, Florida**

Lori Alhadeff, Chair
Debra Hixon, Vice Chair

Torey Alston
Brenda Fam, Esq.
Daniel P. Foganholi
Dr. Jeff Holness
Sarah Leonardi
Nora Rupert
Dr. Allen Zeman

Dr. Peter B. Licata
Superintendent of Schools

Dear Parent/Guardian,

The Florida Assessment of Student Thinking (FAST) is a progress monitoring system that is 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. The purpose of this letter is to inform you that your student will participate in the first administration (PM1) of the Grade 6, 7, 8 Florida Assessment of Student Thinking (FAST) ELA Reading and Mathematics assessments on:

- **September 11, 2023 – Grade 6 and 7: ELA Reading**
- **September 13, 2023 – Grade 8: ELA Reading**
- **September 14, 2023 – Grade 6 and 7: Math**
- **September 15, 2023 – Grade 8: Math**

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 or tablet. 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.fldoe.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 ELA Reading and Mathematics sample items at home, sample test materials are available at <https://flfast.org/families.html>.

If you have any questions related to this test administration, you may contact Mr. Johnson at 754-322-4900. For more information about the FAST program, please visit the portal at [FLFAST.org](https://flfast.org).

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

Sincerely,

Christopher D. Johnson
Proud Principal