

THE SCHOOL BOARD OF BROWARD COUNTY, FLORIDA

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TO: All Principals

FROM: Daniel Gohl
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VIA: Valerie Wanza, Ph.D.
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SUBJECT: **2020-21 BROWARD COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS DISTRICTWIDE ASSESSMENT CALENDAR**

This memorandum is to notify you of the release of the 2020-21 Broward County Public Schools (BCPS) Districtwide Assessment Calendar. **It is important to note that the BCPS Districtwide Testing Calendar may be amended due to flexible scheduling needs resulting from the COVID-19 pandemic. BCPS is releasing a testing calendar per Florida Statute and with guidance from the Florida Department of Education.** All Florida school districts must report their participation in state-required and district assessments to the Florida Department of Education (FLDOE).

Assessment Updates:

- **There are significant changes to the fall administration schedules of state and national exams. PSAT, Fall EOC and Fall Retake windows have been modified. BCPS is monitoring the situation with local health departments with the expectation that on-campus testing can resume as soon as October.**
- All schools in the district must administer tests on the district-selected days.
- All paper-based test materials for state assessments will be returned directly from schools via UPS.
- Schools should return materials soon after testing is complete and no later than the state specified return dates.
- All grades 3-6 Florida Standards Assessments (FSA) will be administered as paper-based assessments (PBT).
- All grades 7-10 FSA assessments will be administered as computer-based assessments (CBT).

Please note the following districtwide assessment dates for the 2020-21 school year:

Test Dates (April 5-16)

- **Grade 3 ELA Reading (PBT):** Session 1 of Grade 3 ELA Reading must be assessed on Tuesday, April 6 and Session 2 on Wednesday, April 7 districtwide.
- **Grades 4–6 ELA Writing (PBT):** Must be assessed on Tuesday, April 6 districtwide.
- **Grades 7, 8, 9, and 10 ELA Writing (CBT):** Must be scheduled during the first week of the assessment window, April 5-9.
- Makeups for all tests may continue through Friday, April 16.

Paper-Based ELA and Math Test Dates (May 3-14)

- **Grades 4–6 ELA Reading (PBT):** Session 1 of Grades 4, 5, and 6 ELA Reading must be assessed on Tuesday, May 4 and Session 2 on Wednesday, May 5 districtwide.
- **Grades 3–6 Mathematics (PBT):** Session 1 of Grades 3, 4, 5, and 6 Mathematics must be assessed on Tuesday, May 11, and Session 2 (Grade 6 Sessions 2 & 3) on Wednesday, May 12 districtwide.

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Paper-Based Science Test Dates (May 18-19)

- **Grades 5 Science (PBT):** Session 1 of Grade 5 Science must be assessed on Tuesday, May 18 and Session 2 on Wednesday, May 19 districtwide.
- **Grades 8 Science (PBT):** Sessions 1 and 2 of Grade 8 Science must both be assessed on Tuesday, May 18 districtwide.
- Makeups for all tests may continue through Friday, May 21.

Computer-Based Test Dates (May 3-28)

- Schools may schedule the following assessments at any time during the established May 3-28 window:
 - Grades 7–10 ELA Reading
 - Grades 7 and 8 Mathematics
 - FSA and NGSSS EOCs
- Schools selected for a calibration grade-level/subject test (e.g., Grade 7 ELA Reading) must test as many students as possible during week one of the window (May 1–8).

New:

- **All testing systems, including Pearson Access Next will be accessed through the TIDE login.** FSA users will be required to perform a password reset at the first login to TIDE or another FSA system.
- Starting in the Fall of 2020, all tests (NGSSS & FSA) will be administered via the FSA Secure Browser and managed through TIDE system.
- All reporting of test results will be posted to the Pearson Access Next System.
- All desktops, laptops/tablets (Windows, Mac OS), and mobile devices that will be used for testing this school year, must be updated with the latest version of the secure browser, beginning with the Fall EOC and Retake administrations. Our district I&T department will update the computers and devices for Broward schools prior to this date. Charter schools must ensure their devices are up to date prior to test administration.

Reminders:

- **All students must test using their unique Florida Education Identifier (FLEID) found on the A03 panel in TERMS. The FLEID is 14 characters long and begins with FL followed by 12 digits.**
- Assessment results for the statewide FSA-ELA, Mathematics and EOC assessments will be made available no later than June 30, 2021 except for results for the grade 3 FSA-ELA assessment, which will be made available no later than May 31, 2021.

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Attachment

cc: Senior Leadership Team
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2020-21 BCPS DISTRICTWIDE ASSESSMENT CALENDAR

BROWARD TESTING CALENDAR GRADE LEVEL OVERVIEW, 2020-21																
			Elementary							Middle			High			
	Type	Number of Times Tested	PK	KG	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
FLKRS-STAR	F	1		A												
Letter Names, Letter Sounds, Concepts of Print†	F	4		A												
BAS-Running Record†	F	3		A	A	A	A	P	P							
Grade 3 Performance Based Portfolio	F	4					A									
Primary Reading (PRT)	S	1			A	A										
CogAT Replacement	S	1				A										
Grade 3 End-Year Alt. Promotion	S	1					P									
BSA	I	1					A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	P	P
iReady†	I	3		A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A				
ACCESS for ELLs	S	1		P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
FSAA	S	1					P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P		
FAIR-FS†	F	3								P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Statewide Science	S	1							A			A				
FSA ELA-WRITING	S	1						A	A	A	A	A	A	A		
FSA ELA & MATH	S	1					A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A		
FSA & NGSSS EOC	S	4								P	P	P	P	P	P	P
FSA ELA Retakes	S	2												P	P	P
NAEP	S	1						P				P				P
PERT	S	*														P
PSAT	S	1												A	A	P
AP	S	1												P	P	P
ACT	S	*												P	P	P
SAT	S	*												P	P	A
AICE (Cambridge)	S	1												P	P	P
IB	S	1												P	P	P
Semester Exams	S	2								P	P	P	A	A	A	A

Note.

- Assessments organized by the State, College Board, or ACT are highlighted in gray
- Type: “F” represents Formative/Progress Monitoring, “I” represents Interim, “S” represents Summative
- Number of times assessed: * represents several opportunities to take the test
- Student population assessed: “A” represents all students, “P” represents select participating students
- Due to e-learning assessments marked with a † can be administered at students’ homes.

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