## LEADING THE CHARGE OF LIFELONG LEARNING

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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 for 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 take the STAR Renaissance assessments for **Reading and Math** on the dates listed below. Your students' 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. Students who earn a scale score of 852 or higher on Star Early Literacy are considered "probable readers." Any first-grade student who scores 852 on Star Early Literacy may take Star Reading in the next PM.

Grade	STAR Early Literacy	STAR Reading	STAR Math
K	Tuesday, August 26 <sup>th</sup>	N/A	Wednesday, August 27 <sup>th</sup>
1	Friday, August 22 <sup>nd</sup>	N/A	Monday, August 25 <sup>th</sup>
2	N/A	Tuesday, August 19th	Thursday, August 21st

Your students' FAST assessments are computer-adaptive tests taken on a computer. The questions get less or more difficult depending on how a student responds, and each student will see different questions. If you or your student would like to review STAR sample items at home, sample test items are available at <a href="https://flfast.org/families.html">https://flfast.org/families.html</a>.

The Star assessments typically will take less than 30 minutes to complete. Please see the chart below for approximate times.

Subject	Session Length	# of Questions
STAR Earl Literacy	10-15 minutes	25-30
STAR Reading	15-20 minutes	30-35
STAR Math	20-30 minutes	30-35

If you have any questions related to this test administration, you may contact Synethia Williams at <a href="mailto:synethia.williams@stjohns.k12.fl.us">synethia.williams@stjohns.k12.fl.us</a> or (904)547-3720 ext. 13747.

For more information about the FAST program, please visit the portal at FLFAST.org.

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

Sincerely,

Ken Goodwin, Ed.D. Principal

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