

## 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. The results from PM3 will show how well your student has mastered the grade level content standards. All students in first grade will take STAR Reading for PM3. You will be provided with information about how to see your students' results after testing is completed.

Grade	STAR Early Literacy	STAR Reading	STAR Math
K	Monday, April 20 <sup>th</sup>	N/A	Tuesday, April 21 <sup>st</sup>
1	N/A	Thursday, April 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Friday, April 24 <sup>th</sup>
2	N/A	Monday, April 27 <sup>th</sup>	Tuesday, April 28 <sup>th</sup>

FAST assessments are computer-adaptive tests taken on a computer or tablet. The questions get less or more difficult depending on how your student responds, and each student will see different questions from a common item bank. You or your student can review sample items at home at <https://flfast.org/families.html>.

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 Early Literacy	10-15 minutes	25-30
STAR Reading	15-20 minutes	30-35
STAR Math	20-30 minutes	30-35

Attendance on testing days and arriving on time is important, please help students be as successful as possible by being at school on their testing day.

If you have any questions related to this test administration, you may contact Synethia Williams at [synethia.williams@stjohns.k12.fl.us](mailto:synethia.williams@stjohns.k12.fl.us).

For more information about the FAST program, please visit the portal at [FLFAST.org](http://FLFAST.org).

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

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Ken Goodwin'.

Ken Goodwin, Ed.D.  
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