

DURBIN CREEK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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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 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 second administration (PM II) of the Grades 3-5 Florida Assessment of Student Thinking (FAST) ELA Reading and Mathematics assessment[s] on the dates listed below. Your student's results from PM II 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 decrease or increase in complexity 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>.

Progress Monitoring II Dates

- January 6, 2026 - 3rd grade – PM II Reading
- January 8, 2026 - 4th grade – PM II Reading
- January 9, 2026 - 5th grade – PM II Reading
- January 13, 2026 - 3rd grade – PM II Math
- January 15, 2026 - 4th grade – PM II Math
- January 16, 2026 – 5th grade – PM II Math
- January 20th – 22nd - Reading and Math Makeups

If you have any questions related to this test administration, you may contact Chasity Pitre, Assistant Principal, at: Chasity.Pitre@StJohns.K12.FL.US

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

Thank you for supporting your student and encouraging them to do their best during this test administration.

Sincerely,

DCES Administration

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