



Lafayette 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 take their grade appropriate (Kindergarten, Grade 1, or Grade 2) Star Renaissance assessment this school year. Star Early Literacy, Star Reading, and Star Math assessments will be administered within the dates below. Please check our district or school website throughout the year for PM2 and PM3 updates on specific testing dates for each grade. Your student’s results from the first progress monitoring (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. If you or your student would like to review Star Early Literacy, Star Reading, or Star Math sample items at home, sample test items are available at <https://flfast.org/resources/renaissance-star/renaissance-star>.

The Star Early Literacy assessment typically takes less than 15 minutes to complete. The Star Reading assessment is usually completed in less than 20 minutes, and the Star Math assessment typically takes less than 30 minutes to complete.

If you have any questions related to this test administration, you may contact Connie Pearson at 386-294-2882 or cpearson@lcsbmail.net.

For more information about the Florida Statewide Assessments 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,

Lisa Newman
Principal
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PM1

K	August 21: Star Early Literacy	August 22: Star Math
1	August 21: Star Reading/Star Early Literacy	August 22: Star Math
2	August 21: Star Reading/Star Early Literacy	August 22: Star Math

**Please check the district and school website for any updates to the LES Assessment Schedule*

PM2 K-2: December 4 (Early Literacy/Reading) – December 5 (Math)

PM3 K-2: April 23 (Early Literacy/Reading)- April 24 (Math)