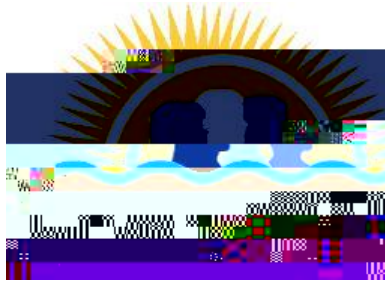


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Assistant Superintendent



Dear Parents and Guardians,

Beginning with the 2022–23 school year, Florida’s statewide, standardized assessments in Reading, Writing, and Mathematics will be aligned with the *Benchmarks for Excellent Student Thinking* (B.E.S.T.). *Florida Assessment of Student Thinking* (FAST) will be administered three times per year in grades VPK through grade 10 English Language Arts and VPK through grade 8 Mathematics. These assessments replace the Florida Standards Assessments (FSA) and are intended to measure student progress in learning B.E.S.T. standards as well as evaluate final student mastery of on-grade level B.E.S.T. standards at the end of the school year.

The purpose of this letter is to inform you that your student will participate in FAST assessments this school year. Please contact your student’s school for information on specific test dates, or visit your school’s website and locate the assessment calendar.

