Wards Creek Elementary



Shine Your Light for All

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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 Grade 1 Renaissance Star Reading on Tuesday, December 2nd, and Star Math Assessment Tuesday, December 9th. Your student's results from PM2 provide mid-year information on student progress, 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 Literacy are considered "probable readers." Any kindergarten or first grade student who scores 852 on Star Early Literacy may take Star Reading in the next PM.

Your student's FAST Assessments are computer-adaptive tests taken on a computer or tablet. 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 Early Literacy, Star Reading, and/or Star Math sample items at home, sample test items are available at https://flfast.org/families.html.

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

If you have any questions related to this test administration, you may contact Nicole Aldridge at 904-547-8730

For more information about the Florida Statewide Assessments program, please visit the portal at https://flfast.org/fsa.html.

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

Sincerely,

Kevin Klein

Principal