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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. The purpose of this letter is to inform you that your student will take the Renaissance Star Early Literacy, Star Reading, and/or Star Math assessments on the following administration dates:

Grade Level	Assessment	Date Administered
Kindergarten	STAR Early Literacy	Wednesday, December 17 th
1st Grade	STAR Early Literacy	Thursday, January 8 th
2 nd Grade	STAR Reading	Friday, January 9 th

Grade Level	Assessment	Date Administered
Kindergarten	STAR Math	Wednesday, January 14th
1st Grade	STAR Math	Monday, January 12 th
2 nd Grade	STAR Math	Thursday, January 15 th

Your student's results from PM2 provide mid-year information on student progress, and you can view your student's scores in the <u>Florida Statewide Assessments Family Portal</u>.

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, and/or Star Math sample items at home, visit https://flfast.org/families.html.

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 Mandi York at Amanda. York@stjohns.k12.fl.us.

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, Mr. Hoessler