

Spessard L. Holland Elementary School

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Satellite Beach, FL 32937-2997



December 19, 2022

Dear Parent/Guardian,

The Florida Assessment of Student Thinking (FAST) is a progress monitoring tool that will be administered three times per year to track your child'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 child will participate in the first administration (PM2) of the Grade 3-6 Florida Assessment of Student Thinking (FAST) Reading [and Mathematics] assessments on January 17 and 18, 2022. Your child's results from PM2 are for informational purposes only, and we will provide you 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 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 child would like to interact with the online testing platform or review FAST Reading [and Mathematics] sample items at home, sample test materials are available at <https://flfast.org/families.html>.

If you have any questions related to this test administration, you may contact me or your child's teacher at 321-773-7591. For more information about the FAST program, please visit the portal at [FLFAST.org](https://flfast.org).

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

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "S. Alison".

Samantha Alison
Principal

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