

Sherwood 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 participate in the second administration (PM2) of the Renaissance Star Early Literacy or, Star Reading, and Star Math assessment(s) on December 5th and 6th, 2023. Your student's results from PM2 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, and/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 Early Literacy is provided to all kindergarten and first-grade students unless they scored 852 on the PM1. Kindergarten and first-grade students who reached 852 on PM1 will be taking the Star Reading assessment. The Star Reading assessment is provided to all second-grade students and usually is completed in less than 20 minutes. The Star Math assessment is provided to all kindergarten through second-grade students and typically takes less than 30 minutes to complete.

If you have any questions related to this test administration, you may contact Danielle LaVelle at Lavelle.danielle@brevardschools.org.

For more information about the Florida Statewide Assessments program, please visit the portal at [FLFAST.org](https://flfast.org).

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

Sincerely,

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