



Florida K-12 Assessments

Florida Standards Assessments: Students in grades 3–10 take the English Language Arts FSA; students in grades 3–8 take the Mathematics FSA (Federal Requirement)

Florida Comprehensive Assessment Test (FCAT): Students with the requirement to pass FCAT 2.0 Grade 10 Reading for graduation take FCAT 2.0 Reading Retake

Statewide Science Assessment: Students in grades 5 and 8 take the Statewide Science Assessment (Federal Requirement)

End-of-Course Assessments (EOC): Students in any grade completing courses in Algebra 1, Geometry, Algebra 2, Biology 1, U.S. History, or Civics (or their equivalent courses)

ACCESS for ELLs 2.0: Students in grades K–12, currently classified as English Language Learners, with a code of "LY"

National and International Assessments: Representative samples of students selected to participate in NAEP, PISA, PIRLS, and TIMSS

High School Equivalency (GED) Test: Individuals (age requirements apply) desiring a high school equivalency diploma

BCPS Legislative Platform Assessment Initiatives

- Require the State Board of Education and commissioner to conduct a concordance of national assessments for all grade levels including but not limited to PSAT, SAT and ACT to Florida's standards that districts may use in lieu of FSA, beginning with 2017-18.

Rationale:

Students are currently given the PSAT in tenth grade and most students take the SAT/ACT for college entrance. Require the State Board of Education and commissioner to conduct a concordance of national assessments for all grade levels for PSAT, SAT and ACT to Florida's standards in lieu of FSA, would eliminate redundant assessments. Currently, students may use an SAT/ACT concurrent score but first have to fail the FSA.

- Support a modification of End-of-Course exam (EOC) weights from 30 percent to 20 percent of a student's total grade and allow students to retake the exams necessary to pass for graduation.