



THE SCHOOL DISTRICT OF OSCEOLA COUNTY, FLORIDA

Discovery Intermediate School

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Principal
Henry Santiago

April 28, 2021

Dear Parent/Guardian,

Assistant Principal
Gary Dunn

The purpose of this letter is to inform you that your student will take the computer-based FSA Grade 7 ELA Reading and FSA Grade 7 Mathematics on the days listed below. Students enrolled in Algebra 1, Civics, or Physical Science Honors will need to report on the days listed below for the EOC or science assessment. Students will only take the assessment for the course they are currently enrolled in. (For example, if the student is in Algebra 1, they will only take the Algebra 1 EOC instead of the FSA 7th grade math.) Please check your student's schedule for course enrollment.

Assistant Principal
Deanna Hebbler

ELA Reading: May 5 & 6—will test both days **Civics: May 7**
Mathematics: May 11 & 12—will test both days **Science: May 10** **Algebra EOC: May 13 & 14—will test both days**

Superintendent
Dr. Debra P. Pace

Your student has had an opportunity to participate in a practice test to become familiar with the computer-based testing platform, item types, and response formats he or she will see on the assessment(s). If you or your student would like to review the computer-based practice test at home, the practice tests and answer keys are available at <https://FSAassessments.org/students-and-families/practice-tests/computer-based-materials/index.stml>.

For information regarding test session lengths and other information about the assessments, see the "About the Assessments" page on the portal: <https://fsassessments.org/florida-statewide-assessment-program.stml>.

SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS

This test is only offered on-campus in-person with no virtual option. All students will be expected to follow safety and social distancing procedures when scheduled to test on campus. These safety procedures include students wearing face coverings before, during and after testing. Students are also expected to bring their own materials needed for testing.

Teresa "Terry" Castillo
Vice Chair
District 1 – Kissimmee
Phone: 407-577-5022

Student Brought Materials: Students will be provided with all materials; however, students may bring their own No. 2 pencils (NO mechanical pencils, pens, or other writing device).

Jullus Melendez
District 2 – Kissimmee
Phone: 321-442-2862

Students doing digital learning at home are required to come on campus and test. Students need to report to campus on the days listed above, with an arrival time of no later than 9:00am. Students will check-in in the courtyard and then report to the cafeteria upon arrival. Breakfast and lunch are available for all students. Students should be in dress code.

Jon Arguello
District 3 – Kissimmee
Phone: 407-433-9082

Please review the following policies with your student before testing:

Clarence Thacker
Chair
District 4 – Kissimmee
Phone: 407-870-4009

- **Electronic Devices**—Students are not permitted to have any electronic devices, including, but not limited to, cell phones, smartphones, and smartwatches, at any time during testing or during breaks (e.g., restroom), **even if the devices are turned off or students do not use them.** If your student is found with an electronic device, his or her test will be invalidated.
- **Calculator Policy**—For Grades 7 and 8 Mathematics, **approved calculators may be used during Sessions 2 and 3 only.** For Algebra 1 and Geometry EOC assessments, **approved calculators may be used during Session 2 only.** If students have handheld calculators during Session 1, their tests will be invalidated. For Biology 1 EOC, a handheld four-function calculator may be used only if the school provides all students with a handheld four-function calculator.
- **Testing Rules Acknowledgment**—All tests include a Testing Rules Acknowledgment that reads: "I understand the testing rules that were just read to me. If I do not follow these rules, my test score may be invalidated." Prior to testing, test administrators read the rules to students, and students acknowledge that they understand the testing rules by clicking a checkbox beside the statement in the secure browser.
- **Discussing Test Content after Testing**—The last portion of the testing rules read to students before they affirm the Testing Rules Acknowledgment states that because the content of all statewide assessments is secure, students may not discuss or reveal details about the test content (including test items, passages, and prompts) after the test. This includes any type of electronic communication, such as texting, emailing, or posting to social media sites. Please make sure your student understands this policy prior to testing and remind them that "discussing" test content includes any kind of electronic communication, such as texting, emailing, posting to social media, or sharing online. **While students may not share information about secure test content after testing, this policy is not intended to prevent students from discussing their testing experiences with their parents/families.**
- **Working Independently**—Students are responsible for doing their own work during the test and for protecting their answers from being seen by others. If students are caught cheating during testing, their tests will be invalidated. In addition, the Florida Department of Education (FDOE) employs Caveon Test Security to analyze student test results to detect unusually similar answer patterns. Students' tests within a school that are found to have extremely similar answer patterns will be invalidated.
- **Leaving Campus**—If your student leaves campus before completing a test session (e.g., for lunch, an appointment, illness), he or she **will not be allowed to return to that test session.** If your student does not feel well on the day of testing, it may be best for him or her to wait and be tested on a make-up day. Please remember not to schedule appointments on testing days.
- **Testing Accommodations**—If your student has an Individual Education Plan (IEP), a Section 504 Plan, or is an English Language Learner (ELL) or a recently exited ELL, please contact the school to discuss the testing accommodations that will be provided for your student.

Discovery Intermediate School Mission:

The Discovery Community will engage in effective and consistent collaboration that encompasses standard based education and differentiated instruction to meet the social and academic needs of all students within a positive learning environment.

If you have any questions related to this test administration, you may contact Melinda Fisher or Gary Dunn at 407-343-7300. For more information about the Florida Statewide Assessments program, please visit the portal at www.FSAassessments.org.

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

Sincerely,

Henry Santiago, Principal



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