

MIAMI-DADE COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS
2008 - 2009 TESTING CALENDAR, GRADES K-12
Updated: February 10, 2009

The calendar will be updated periodically as additional information is obtained about the district, state, national, and international tests administered to the students in Miami-Dade County Public Schools.

DATE	DESCRIPTION	ABBREVIATION	PARTICIPANTS	REASON FOR TEST
July 28-29	<i>Alternative Assessment for Grade 3 Promotion</i>	AAGTP	Grade 3, retained only	State
August 18-October 2	<i>Florida Kindergarten Readiness Screener Early Childhood Observation System Dynamic Indicators of Basic Early Literacy Skills Indicadores Dinámicos del Exito en la Lectura</i>	FLKRS ECHOS DIBELS IDEL	Kindergarten	State
September/October	<i>Preliminary ACT Test</i>	PLAN	Grade 10, optional	Nationally Offered
September 3-9	<i>Florida Comprehensive Assessment Test SSS Computer Accommodations Pilot</i>	FCAT SSS	Grades 6 & 9, selected schools and students	State
September 17-October 1	<i>Florida Oral Reading Fluency Assessment</i>	FORF	Grades 6-12*	State
September 17-October 1	<i>Dynamic Indicators of Basic Early Literacy Skills</i>	DIBELS	Grades 1-3; Grades 4 & 5*	State and District
October 6-13	<i>Florida Comprehensive Assessment Test Retake Reading and Mathematics</i>	FCAT-Retake	Grades 11-12, as needed	State
October 13-22	<i>Florida Alternate Assessment Science Field Test</i>	FAA	Grades 5, 8, & 11***	State
October 15	<i>College Board Preliminary SAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test</i>	PSAT/NMSQT	Grade 10	State
			Grade 11, optional	Nationally Offered
November 17	<i>Grade 3 Mid-Year Promotion</i>	GTMYP	Grade 3, retained only	State
December 2-3	<i>FCAT Writing Field Test</i>	FCAT Writing	Grades 4, 8, & 10, selected schools	State
December 3-9	<i>Florida Competency Examination on Personal Fitness</i>	FCEPF	Grades 9-11, optional	State
January 12-February 27	<i>Florida Alternate Assessment</i>	FAA	Grades 3-11***	State
January 12-May 8	<i>Florida College Entry-level Placement Test</i>	FCELPT CPT	Grade 11, optional	State
January 20-May 8	<i>Grade 3 Reading Student Portfolio</i>	GTRSP	Grade 3	State
January 26-March 4	<i>National Assessment of Educational Progress/Trial Urban District Assessment</i>	NAEP/TUDA	Selected schools, Grade 4, 8, & 12	Federal

Notes:

*Only includes students in FCAT Reading Levels 1 and 2 at these grade levels.

***Only includes ESE students exempted from standardized testing at these grade levels.

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January 27- February 10	<i>Progress monitoring:</i> <i>Dynamic Indicators of Basic Early Literacy Skills</i>	DIBELS	Selected students* *** Grades K-3 (All), Grades 4 & 5****	State	
	<i>Florida Oral Reading Fluency</i>	FORF	Grades 6-10****		
	<i>Voyager Passport Reading Journeys</i>	VPRJ	Grades 6- 8****		
	<i>Jamestown Reading Navigator</i>	JRN	Grades 9-10****		
	<i>Reading Level Gains Test</i>	RLGT	Grades 9-10****		
	<i>Total Reader Lexile Assessment</i>	TRLA	Grades 11-12****		
February 10-12	<i>Florida Comprehensive Assessment Test Writing</i>	FCAT Writing	Grades 4, 8, & 10	State	
March 10-13	<i>Stanford Achievement Test, Tenth Edition Reading and Mathematics</i>	SAT-10	Grade 2	District and State	
	<i>Reading</i>		Grade 1, Reading First schools only	State	
March 10-19	<i>Florida Comprehensive Assessment Test Sunshine State Standards Reading and Mathematics</i>	FCAT - SSS	Grades 3-10	Federal and State	
	<i>Science</i>		Grades 5, 8, 11	State	
	<i>Retake</i>	FCAT-Retake	Grades 10-12,** as needed	State	
April 14- May 15	<i>Comprehensive English Language Learning Assessment</i>	CELLA	Grades K-12, all current ELLs and selected former ELLs	Federal and State	
April 29- May 19	<i>Peabody Picture Vocabulary Test</i>	PPVT	Grades K-3, Reading First schools only	State	
May 1- May 21	<i>Progress monitoring:</i> <i>Dynamic Indicators of Basic Early Literacy Skills</i>	DIBELS	Selected students**** Grades K-3 (All) Grades 4 & 5****	State	
	<i>Florida Oral Reading Fluency</i>		FORF		Grades 6-10****
	<i>Voyager Passport Reading Journeys</i>		VPRJ		Grades 6- 8****
	<i>Jamestown Reading Navigator</i>		JRN		Grades 9-10****
	<i>Reading Level Gains Test</i>		RLGT		Grades 9-10****
	<i>Total Reader Lexile Assessment</i>		TRLA		Grades 11-12****

Notes:

**Students who need to pass one or more sections of the test. Grade 10 retained students only participate in Spring administration.

**** **The following students in all schools must participate in progress monitoring as follows:**

- *DIBELS* – All students in grades K-3 and Grade 4 – 5 students in FCAT Levels 1 and 2
- *FORF* –Grade 6-10 students in FCAT Level 1 and 2 enrolled in Intensive Reading Plus classes and ELL classes
- *VPRJ* – Grade 6 – 8 students in FCAT Level 1 and 2 enrolled in Intensive Reading classes
- *JRN* – Grade students 9 – 10 in FCAT Level 1 and 2 enrolled in Intensive Reading classes
- *RLGT* – Grade 9-10 students in FCAT Level 2 enrolled in Homogeneously Grouped English classes
- *TRLA* –Grade 11-12 students eligible to take the FCAT Reading Retake

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May 4-8	<i>Florida Competency Examination on Personal Fitness</i>	FCEPF	Grades 9-11, optional	State
May 4-15	<i>Advanced Placement Examinations</i>	AP	<i>Grades 9-12, enrolled, registered only</i>	Nationally Offered
May 4-22	<i>International Baccalaureate External Written Examinations</i>	IB	Grades 11-12, enrolled only	Internationally Offered
May 26-June 4	<i>Alternative Standardized Reading Assessment</i>	ASRA	Grade 3, selected students	State

DISTRICT ASSESSMENTS FOR PROGRESS REPORTING

DATE	DESCRIPTION	ABBREVIATION	PARTICIPANTS
August 18 –29	<i>Baseline Benchmark Assessments Reading, Mathematics, and Science</i>	BBA	Grades 3-11
August 25-September 5	<i>District Writing Pre-Test</i>	DWT	Grades 1-10
October 20 –31 December 15-19 or January 5-9 April 20-May 1 (Optional)	<i>Interim Assessment Tests Reading, Mathematics, and Science</i>	IA	Grades 3-11
April 13-24	<i>District Writing Post-Test</i>	DWT	Grades 1-10

Note: Administration of these assessments is mandated for schools required to submit State progress reports. They may be administered by other schools for instructional purposes, progress reporting, or as a measure for their School Improvement Plans.

TESTS GIVEN ON AN AS-NEEDED BASIS

DESCRIPTION	ABBREVIATION	PARTICIPANTS	REASON FOR TEST
<i>Apranda La Prueba de los Logros en Español Segunda Edición</i> Placement decision for Gifted Program Spanish-speaking ELLs	APRENDA	Grade K-12, eligible ELLs	State
<i>Diagnostic Assessment of Reading</i> Administered as needed for instructional decisions	DAR	Grades K-12, as selected	State
<i>Metropolitan Achievement Test</i> Placement and/or exit decisions for ESOL Program	MAT	Grades 4-12, as eligible	Federal and State
<i>Oral Language Proficiency Scale</i> Placement and/or exit decisions for ESOL Program	OLPS-R	Grades K-12, ELLs	Federal and State
<i>Stanford Achievement Test, Ninth Edition</i> Placement decisions for Gifted Program	SAT-9	Grades K-12, as selected	State

COLLEGE ENTRANCE EXAMINATIONS
NATIONALLY OFFERED FOR INTERESTED, REGISTERED STUDENTS

SAT Reasoning and SAT Subject Tests		ACT Test	
October 4, 2008	March 14, 2009 (SAT Reasoning Only)	September 13, 2008	April 4, 2009
November 1, 2008	May 2, 2009	October 25, 2008	June 13, 2009
December 6, 2008	June 6, 2009	December 13, 2008	
January 24, 2009		February 7, 2009	