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TO: All Principals

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SUBJECT: **2018-19 BROWARD COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS DISTRICTWIDE ASSESSMENT CALENDAR**

This memorandum is to notify you of the release of the 2018-19 Broward County Public Schools (BCPS) Districtwide Assessment Calendar. All Florida school districts must report their participation in state-required and district assessments to the Florida Department of Education (FLDOE).

Assessment Updates:
- All grades 3-6 Florida Standards Assessments (FSA) will be administered as paper-based assessments (PBT).
- All grades 7-10 FSA assessments will be computer-based assessments (CBT).
  - Grade 7 ELA Writing has transitioned from a paper-based assessment to a computer-based assessment.
- The FCAT 2.0 Reading Retake has been eliminated in 2018-19, all students who would have originally participated in the assessment should take the FSA ELA retake instead.

Please note the following districtwide assessment dates for the 2018-19 school year:

Test Dates (April 1-12)
- **Grade 3 ELA Reading (PBT):** Session 1 of Grade 3 ELA Reading must be assessed on Tuesday, April 2 and Session 2 on Wednesday, April 3 districtwide.
- **Grades 4–6 ELA Writing (PBT)**: Must be assessed on Tuesday, April 2 districtwide.
- **Grades 7, 8, 9, and 10 ELA Writing (CBT):** Must be scheduled during the first week of the assessment window, April 1-5.
- Makeups for all tests may continue through Friday, April 12.

Paper-Based Test Dates (May 1-14)
- **Grades 4–6 ELA Reading (PBT):** Session 1 of Grades 4, 5, and 6 ELA Reading must be assessed on Wednesday, May 1 and Session 2 on Thursday, May 2 districtwide.
- **Grades 3–6 Mathematics (PBT):** Session 1 of Grades 3, 4, 5, and 6 Mathematics must be assessed on Tuesday, May 7, and Session 2 on Wednesday, May 8 districtwide.
- **Grades 5 Science (PBT):** Session 1 of Grade 5 Science must be assessed on Friday, May 3 and Session 2 on Monday, May 6 districtwide.
- **Grades 8 Science (PBT):** Sessions 1 and 2 of Grade 8 Science must both be assessed on Wednesday, May 8 districtwide.
- Makeups for all tests may continue through Tuesday, May 14.

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Computer-Based Test Dates (May 1-29)
- Schools may schedule the following assessments at any time during the established May 1-29 window:
    - Grades 7–10 ELA Reading
    - Grades 7 and 8 Mathematics
    - FSA and NGSSS EOCs
- Schools selected for a calibration grade-level/subject test (e.g., Grade 7 ELA Reading) must test as many students as possible during week one of the window (May 1–8).

Reminders:
- **All students must test using their unique Florida Education Identifier (FLEID) found on the A03 panel in TERMS. The FLEID is 14 characters long and begins with FL followed by 12 digits. Over 1,000 incorrect FLEIDs were found to be used during the 2017-18 test administration.**
- FSA users will be required to perform a password reset at the first login to TIDE or another FSA system.
- Pearson will send out an email notification to all users informing them of their password expiration and providing a link to reset their passwords.
- The TA Certification Course is undergoing minor updates. AIR will reset all users' TA Certification Course statuses in TIDE. Users must retake the TA Certification Course to have a "Y" marked in TIDE with their account information.
- AIR will release a new secure browser for the 2018–19 school year on August 1. All desktops, laptops/tablets (Windows, Mac OS), and mobile devices that will be used for testing this school year, must be updated with the new secure browser, beginning with the Fall EOC and Retake administrations. Our district I&T department will update the computers and devices for Broward schools prior to this date. Charter schools must ensure their devices are up to date prior to test administration.
- AIR will release a new scientific calculator on the TDS platform beginning with Winter 2018 EOC.
- Pearson will release a new TestNav App for the 2018–19 school year on August 9. The previous version of the app (version 1.6.x) will be blocked. Our district I &T department will download and install this new app for computers and devices for Broward schools.
- Assessment results for the statewide FSA-ELA, Mathematics and EOC assessments will be made available no later than June 30, 2019 except for results for the grade 3 FSA-ELA assessment, which will be made available no later than May 31, 2019.
- New concordant and comparative scores for graduation have been posted to the FLDOE website at http://www.fldoe.org/core/fileparse.php/7764/urlt/GradRequireFSA.pdf.

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Attachment

cc: Senior Leadership Team
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BROWARD TESTING CALENDAR GRADE LEVEL OVERVIEW, 2018-19																
				Elementary							Middle		High			
	Type	Number of Times Tested	PK	KG	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
FLKRS-STAR	F	1		A												
Letter Names, Letter Sounds, Concepts of Print	F	4		A												
BAS-Running Record	F	3		A	A	A	A	P	P							
Grade 3 Performance Based Portfolio	F	4					A									
Primary Reading (PRT)	S	1			A	A										
CogAT Replacement	S	1				A										
Grade 3 End-Year Alt. Promotion	S	1					P									
Grade 3 Mid-Year Promotion	S	1					P									
BSA, iReady	I	1-3					A	A	A	A	A	A	P	P	P	P
ACCESS for ELLs	S	1		P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
FSAA	S	1					P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P		
FAIR-FS	F	3								P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Statewide Science	S	1							A			A				
FSA ELA-WRITING	S	1						A	A	A	A	A	A	A		
FSA ELA & MATH	S	1					A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A		
FSA EOC	S	4								P	P	P	P	P	P	P
NGSSS EOC	S	4								P	P	P	P	P	P	P
FSA ELA Retakes	S	2											P	P	P	
NAEP	S	1						P				P				P
PERT	S	*												P	P	
PSAT	S	1										A	A	A	P	
AP	S	1											P	P	P	P
ACT	S	*											P	P	P	P
SAT	S	*											P	P	A	P
Semester Exams	S	2											A	A	A	A

Note.

- Assessments organized by the State, College Board, or ACT are highlighted in gray
- Type: "F" represents Formative/Progress Monitoring, "I" represents Interim, "S" represents Summative
- Number of times assessed: * represents several opportunities to take the test
- Student population assessed: "A" represents all students, "P" represents select participating students

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