

2017–18 Florida Standards Assessments End-of-Course Assessments Fact Sheet

Florida Standards Assessments (FSA) End-of-Course (EOC) Overview

This fact sheet provides information about the Algebra 1 and Geometry EOC assessments that measure student achievement of the Florida Standards as outlined in their course descriptions. For information on the Next Generation Sunshine State Standards (NGSSS) EOC assessments, please see the 2017–18 NGSSS End-of-Course Assessments Fact Sheet. For more information on FSA English Language Arts (ELA) and Mathematics assessments, see the 2017–18 FSA English Language Arts and Mathematics Fact Sheet.

FSA EOC Assessments—Students to Be Tested

All students enrolled in and completing one of the following courses aligned to the Florida Standards must participate in the appropriate assessment as follows:

Table 1: FSA EOC Assessment Corresponding Course List

Assessments	Course
Algebra 1*	Algebra 1 – 1200310
	Algebra 1 Honors – 1200320
	Algebra 1-B – 1200380
	Pre-AICE Mathematics 1 – 1209810
	IB Middle Years Program/Algebra 1 Honors – 1200390
Geometry	Geometry – 1206310
	Geometry Honors – 1206320
	IB Middle Years Program Geometry Honors – 1206810
	Pre-AICE Mathematics 2 – 1209820

^{*}In accordance with section 1008.22(3)(b)2., Florida Statutes, middle grades students will not be tested on both FSA Mathematics and a mathematics EOC assessment. Students enrolled in Algebra 1 or Geometry must take the corresponding EOC assessment, not the grade-level mathematics assessment.

The following students are eligible to participate in FSA EOC assessments:

- Students who need to retake an assessment for graduation purposes (Algebra 1 only).
- Students who have not yet taken an assessment to be averaged as 30% of their course grade.
- Students who are in grade forgiveness programs and wish to retake an assessment to improve their course grade.
- Students who need to earn a passing score for a standard diploma with a Scholar designation (Geometry only).
- Students in a credit acceleration program (CAP) who wish to take the assessment to earn course credit.

Test Administration Schedule

For a full schedule of EOC assessments, see the 2017–18 Statewide Assessment Schedule.



Test Administration Information

- The FSA EOC assessments are delivered via a computer-based test (CBT) platform called the Test Delivery System (TDS).
- Paper-based versions (regular print, large print, braille, and one-item-per-page) of CBT assessments are provided for students with disabilities who cannot access assessments on the computer as specified in their Individual Educational Plans (IEPs) or Section 504 plans.
- CBT accommodations (e.g., text-to-speech) are available for students whose IEPs indicate these accommodations.
- Each assessment is administered in two 90-minute sessions over two days.
- Any student not finished by the end of each 90-minute session may continue working for up to half the length of a typical school day.
- There are multiple test forms for each assessment, with a maximum of 68 items on each test form. For more information, see the Test Design Summary located on the FSA Portal.
- Students are provided CBT Work Folders for each EOC session. An example of the work folder is available on the FSA Portal.
- Scientific calculators are provided as part of the CBT platform for Session 2 only of FSA EOC
 assessments. The calculator is available for practice on the FSA Portal. Please see the <u>Calculator and</u>
 <u>Reference Sheet Policies for Florida Standards Assessments (FSA) Mathematics Assessments</u> for more information.

Practice Tests

- Computer-based and paper-based practice tests and answer keys for each assessment, as well as paper-based test item practice handouts, are available on the <u>FSA Portal</u>. Practice tests allow teachers, parents/guardians and students to become familiar with the system, functionality, tools and item types that will be encountered on the FSA. For resources to better understand the Florida Standards to which the assessments are aligned, please visit <u>CPALMS</u>.
- Students are required to participate in a practice test session at their school prior to testing unless they are retaking an assessment.
- Districts may order paper-based large print or braille practice materials for students participating with these accommodations.

Achievement Levels and FSA Scale Scores

Student performance on Florida's statewide assessments is categorized into five achievement levels. Table 2 provides information regarding student performance at each achievement level; this information is provided on student reports so that students, parents and educators may interpret student results in a meaningful way.

Table 2. Achievement Levels

Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4	Level 5
Inadequate: Highly likely to need substantial support for the next grade	Below Satisfactory: Likely to need substantial support for the next grade	Satisfactory: May need additional support for the next grade	Proficient: Likely to excel in the next grade	Mastery: Highly likely to excel in the next grade

Achievement Level Descriptions (ALDs) further specify what students should know and be able to do in each grade level and subject as indicated in the Florida Standards. The FSA ALDs are available on the <u>FSA Portal</u>.



Achievement level cut scores for FSA assessments were adopted in <u>State Board of Education Rule 6A-1.09422</u>, Florida Administrative Code, in January 2016. The lowest score in Level 3 is the passing score for each grade level and subject. The table below shows the score ranges for each achievement level on the FSA score scale.

Table 3. FSA EOC Scale Scores for Each Achievement Level

Assessment		Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4	Level 5
End-of-Course Assessment Scale Scores	Algebra 1 EOC	425–486	487–496	497 –517	518–531	532–575
(425-575) for Each Achievement Level	Geometry EOC	425–485	486–498	499 –520	521–532	533–575

Additional Information

- For more information about graduation requirements related to EOC assessments, including information about earning a standard diploma with a Scholar designation as well as comparative score and alternate passing score information, please see <u>Graduation Requirements for Statewide Assessments</u>.
- Achievement level cut scores for FSA EOC assessments were established in January 2016 (see Table 3). For more information on these scores, please see <u>Understanding FSA Reports</u>. For more information on the standard-setting process, please visit the <u>Standard Setting page</u> on the FDOE website.

Please visit the <u>FDOE website</u> and the <u>FSA Portal</u> for more information about the statewide assessment program.

