Dear Home Education Program Parent/Guardian:

You are required by section 1002.41(1)(c), Florida Statutes to submit an annual evaluation of your student’s educational progress to the school district. The statute provides several options for completion of the annual evaluation.

One of the options you may choose to meet this requirement is participation in the statewide assessment program. Please see [http://fldoe.org/accountability/assessments/k-12-student-assessment/](http://fldoe.org/accountability/assessments/k-12-student-assessment/) for more information and to access practice tests available to the public.

The statewide assessment program for 2018-2019 includes Florida Standards Assessments (English Language Arts, Reading and Writing Components, and Math), Statewide Science Assessments, and End-of-Course (EOC) Assessments (specific middle and high school subject areas). Please note that both ELA Writing and ELA Reading must be taken – missing either component will result in no score. Parents planning to have their child return to a public school for the next year and/or prior to high school graduation should remember that some assessments are used for course placement and some assessments are graduation requirements.

If you wish to participate in statewide assessments, please carefully review the information on the next pages – your registration form must be received in the Home Education Office no later than 2 weeks prior to the testing window to participate.

Please contact the Home Education Office with any questions.

Sincerely,

Dr. Charmyn Kirton, Administrative Director
Curriculum and Instruction
Important Information about State Assessments

Test Registration

- See next page for a list of assessments offered by grade level. Note that the type of test (paper or computer) and length of test (1 or 2 days) is included. Specific administration dates for many of the tests will be set by the zone school.
- The deadline to register for all assessments is no later than 2 weeks prior to the testing window. NOTE: Grades 4-10 must take both the Writing and the Reading assessments to receive an ELA score.
- If testing accommodations are needed, please include a copy of the student's most recent IEP or 504 plan.
- Parents who provide an email address on the application will receive a receipt confirmation via email. If you do not receive a confirmation email within 3 days of sending the registration form, please contact the Home Education Office.

Test Administration

- All tests will be administered at the student's zoned school. Students who are currently expelled and/or assigned to alternative education must go to that assigned/alternative school.
- You will be contacted by your zoned school with specific test scheduling information once you have registered for the assessments. If you have not heard from your zoned school by 2 weeks prior to testing, please contact Alexandra Kelly, District Assessment Office, at 239-377-0014.
- Parents are responsible for transportation to and from the test location and a snack or meal if needed.
- Students must present a photo ID for admission on testing days.

Test Scoring

- For tests administered over 2 days, students must participate both days to receive a score.
- Parents who provide an email address at the time of test registration, you will be notified when test results are available for pickup from the Home Education Office.
Statewide Assessment Program – Test Information by Grade Level

**Grades K, 1 & 2**

No assessments available

**Grade 3**

FSA ELA Reading paper-based test takes 2 days
Math paper-based test takes 2 days

**Grade 4**

Writing paper-based test takes 1 day
ELA Reading paper-based test takes 2 days
Math paper-based test takes 2 days
*Note that both Writing and ELA Reading must be taken – missing either will result in no score

**Grade 5**

Writing paper-based test takes 1 day
ELA Reading paper-based test takes 2 days
Math paper-based test takes 2 days
Science paper-based test takes 2 days
*Note that both Writing and ELA Reading must be taken – missing either will result in no score

**Grade 6 – also see End of Course Assessments below**

Writing computer-based test takes 1 day
ELA Reading computer-based test takes 2 days
Math computer-based test takes 2 days
*Note that both Writing and ELA Reading must be taken – missing either will result in no score

**Grade 7 – also see End of Course Assessments below**

Writing computer-based test takes 1 day
ELA Reading computer-based test takes 2 days
Math computer-based test takes 2 days
*Note that both Writing and ELA Reading must be taken – missing either will result in no score

**Grade 8 – also see End of Course Assessments below**

Writing computer-based test takes 1 day
ELA Reading computer-based test takes 2 days
Math computer-based test takes 2 days
Science paper-based test takes 1 day
*Note that both Writing and ELA Reading must be taken – missing either will result in no score

**Grades 9 & 10 – also see End of Course Assessments below**

Writing computer-based test takes 1 day
ELA Reading computer-based test takes 2 days
*Note that both Writing and ELA Reading must be taken – missing either will result in no score

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Grades 11 & 12 – see End of Course Assessments below

End of Course Assessments – Grades 6-12

These computer based tests are specific to courses/standards that may be covered in your Home Education Program.

Algebra 1 (2 days)
Geometry (2 days)
Biology 1 (1 Day)
Civics (1 day; middle school curriculum/standards)
US History (1 day; high school curriculum/standards)