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Dear Parent/Guardian,

The Florida Assessment of Student Thinking (FAST) is a progress monitoring tool that will be administered three times per year to track your student’s progress in learning the Benchmarks of Excellent Student Thinking (B.E.S.T.) Standards throughout this school year. The purpose of this letter is to inform you that your student participated in the second administration (PM2) of the Grade 9 or 10 Florida Assessment of Student Thinking (FAST) Reading assessment on December 9-14, 2022 and the last administration, PM3, will be May 2-5, 2023. For scores, you will access the Family Portal at <https://fl-familyportal.cambiumast.com/#/> and you will be required to enter three pieces of information for security:

- Your student’s first name exactly as it appears on official school records.
- Your student’s date of birth.
- Your student’s unique 6-digit code

To locate the unique code for your student, please log-in to the Home Access Center (HAC) and click on the Registration tab. The code will be located on the right side of the page under the section for Additional Information.

These results are for informational purposes only and should be used to identify areas that may need additional instruction and support. It is important for teachers and families to understand that PM1 score information is intended to provide baseline results; after your student participates in PM2 and PM3, you will be able to track the progress your student made throughout the school year. For more information about student scores or the Family Portal, please visit: <https://flfast.org/families.html>.

FAST assessments are computer-adaptive tests taken on a computer. The questions get easier or more difficult depending on how the student responds, and each student will see different questions from a common item bank. Each test attempt (PM1, PM2, and PM3) will present 35–45 items that will cover the entire test “blueprint,” meaning students will encounter items representative of the standards within the subject or grade level. For more information on the test design, please visit <https://www.fldoe.org/accountability/assessments/k-12-student-assessment/best/>. If you or your student would like to interact with the online testing platform or review FAST Reading sample items at home, sample test materials are available at <https://flfast.org/families.html>. If you have any questions related to this test administration, you may contact PMHS Test Coordinator, Beth Purtil at 904-547-8666 or elizabeth.purtill@stjohns.k12.fl.us For more information about the FAST program, please visit the portal at FLFAST.org. Thank you for supporting your student and encouraging him or her to do his or her best during this test administration.

Sincerely,

Dr. Clay Carmichael



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