

Trout Creek Academy

Empowering all students to persevere, discover their strengths, and excel.

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Dear Parent/Guardian,

The Florida Assessment of Student Thinking (FAST) is a progress monitoring test that is administered three times per year to track your student's progress in learning the Benchmarks for Excellent Student Thinking (B.E.S.T.) Standards. Your student will take the Renaissance tests for their grade level on the dates listed below. Please note small group accommodation testing may take place on a different day. The results from PM3 will show how well your student has mastered the grade level content standards. You will be provided information about how to see your student's results after testing is completed.

- Grade 2 STAR Reading:** Tuesday, April 21st (small groups 4/22)
- Grade 1 STAR Reading:** Wednesday, April 22nd (small groups 4/23)
- Kindergarten STAR Early Literacy:** Thursday, April 23rd (small groups 4/24)
- Grade 2 STAR Math:** Tuesday, April 28th (small groups and Adler's Homeroom 4/29)
- Grade 1 STAR Math:** Wednesday, April 29th (small groups 4/30)
- Kindergarten STAR Math:** Thursday, April 30th (small groups 5/1)

FAST assessments are computer-adaptive tests taken on a computer or tablet. The questions get less or more difficult depending on how your student responds, and each student will see different questions from a common item bank. You or your student can review all sample items at home for STAR Reading, Early Literacy, and/or Math at <https://flfast.org/families.html>.

The Star Early Literacy assessment typically takes less than 15 minutes to complete (Kindergarten). The Star Reading assessment is usually completed in less than 20 minutes (grades 1 and 2), and the Star Math assessment typically takes less than 30 minutes to complete (K-2).

If you have any questions related to this test administration, you may contact Brooke Erdman at brooke.erdman@stjohns.k12.fl.us.

For more information about the Florida Statewide Assessments program, please visit the portal at <https://flfast.org/fsa.html>.

Thank you for supporting your student and encouraging him or her to do his or her best on the test.

Sincerely,

Katie O'Connell