



JOHN I. SMITH K-8 CENTER

6th Grade F.A.S.T. Parent Night

March 14, 2024
5:30 p.m.



★ Mrs. Rapado ★ Ms. Moreno ★ Mrs. Sabina ★ Ms. Marrero ★ Mrs. Palomino ★ Ms. Malone

Attendance Policy

- ▶ The school building is OPEN at 7:45 a.m. **FREE** breakfast is available at this time for ALL students.
- ▶ Students begin school at 8:35 a.m. and are dismissed at 3:05 p.m. on M,T,Th,F.
- ▶ On Wednesdays, the school day ends at 2:05 p.m. Students are dismissed starting at 1:50 p.m.
- ▶ If a student is **absent**, an excused note must be turned into their homeroom teacher, upon their return. You can also email your excused note to 5101attendance@dadeschools.net.
- ▶ If students arrive **after 8:35 a.m.**, they must come to the main entrance of the school to receive a tardy pass, before going to their classroom.





Projected F.A.S.T. Testing Calendar:

- **B.E.S.T. Writing Test** – Thursday, April 4th
- **ELA F.A.S.T.** – Tuesday, May 14th
- **Math F.A.S.T.** – Monday, May 20th





- ✓ The Grade 6th, 7th, and 8th grade Florida Assessment of Student Thinking (F.A.S.T.) Assessment is aligned to the NEW B.E.S.T. standards in **BOTH** Reading and Math.
- ✓ PM3 is approximately 120 minutes.
- ✓ The F.A.S.T. Assessment is computer adaptive- which means questions will become harder as students successfully answer questions. And, become easier, if questions are answered incorrectly. This will result in higher or lower levels.
- ✓ Levels 1-5 will be reported after every F.A.S.T. assessment is completed.
- ✓ Results for the FINAL F.A.S.T. Assessment are expected to arrive before the end of the school year.

F.A.S.T. Online Test: Reading

Question 1-1

Read the passage "Our Closest Star" and then answer Numbers 1-1 through 1-6.

Our Closest Star

1 A tiny white light twinkles in the night sky, and a large yellow ball blazes brightly during the day. Which of these objects is a star? You answered correctly if you said, "Both!" The daytime light is the **sun**, of course. It looks very different from the little lights you see at night, so it is hard to believe that the sun is the same kind of object.

2 A **star** is a ball of extremely hot gases. The gases are so hot that they burn and glow. A very hot day here on Earth is about 100 degrees, but gases at the sun's surface are about one hundred times hotter than that. Like all stars, the sun is even hotter inside. At the sun's center, it is about 27 million degrees!

3 Stars do not all have the same temperature though, and they also differ in color and brightness. The hottest stars glow bluish white, and the coolest stars glow coppery red. The sun is actually a star of ordinary temperature and brightness. Ordinary stars glow yellow.

Left hand side will have the text/stories.

Now answer Numbers 1 through 6. Base your answers on the passage "Our Closest Star."

Read this sentence from the passage.

"The time it takes for light to travel through space and reach Earth is quite lengthy." (paragraph 5)

Based on the suffix -y, what is the meaning of the word lengthy?

- ☐ too long
- ☐ very long
- ☐ becoming long
- ☐ not long enough

Right hand side will have the questions and tools students may use during the test. (Highlighter, line reader, etc.) ALL students have been taught how to navigate through the tools and test.

HEADPHONES are required!





Reporting

Individual Student Report

Testing, QAUAT-A

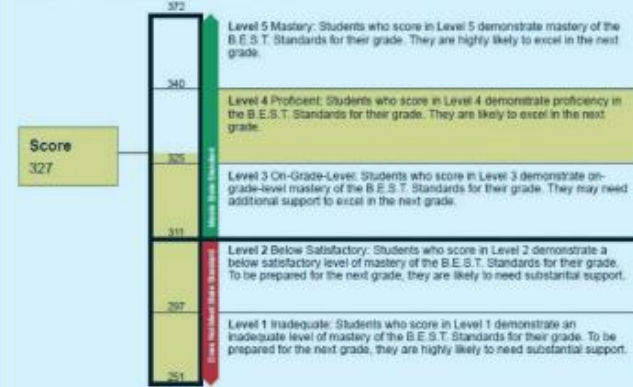
Student ID: DM999999999999 | Student DOB: 7/2/2009 | Enrolled Grade: 4
Date Taken: 3/16/2023

FAST Grade 4 ELA Reading 2022-2023

Demo District
Demo School

Scale Score: 327 Achievement Level: Level 4 Percentile Rank: n/a

How Did Your Student Do on the Test?



Please note, for the 2022-2023 school year only, student achievement levels are provisional, and are linked to the 2021-2022 reporting scale, as required by Florida law. For 2023-2024 and beyond, scores will be reported on a new scale after the State Board of Education adopts new student achievement expectations in fall of 2023.

Percentile rank will be reported after the PM window closes. This rank will indicate where your student's performance falls compared to all other students who took the same test in this window.

Please visit the FAST Portal at www.fast.org to access additional information and resources, including a Parent Quick Guide that explains each element of this report and what it means for your student.

Students who scored a Level 1 or Level 2 may be eligible to receive free books on a monthly basis through the New Worlds Reading Initiative. Visit <http://newworldsreading.com> for more information.

Students who scored a Level 1 or Level 2 may be eligible for a \$500 reading scholarship to be used for instructional materials, tutoring, and summer or after school educational programs. Visit <http://stepupforstudents.org/reading> for more information.

How Did Your Student Perform on Different Areas of the Test?

Below the Standard At/Near the Standard Above the Standard

| Category | Achievement Level | Achievement Level Description |
|------------------------------------|-------------------|--|
| Reading Across Genres & Vocabulary | ✓ | The student performance is above the standard. |
| Reading Informational Text | ⬜ | The student performance is at/near the standard. |
| Reading Prose and Poetry | ✓ | The student performance is above the standard. |

Achievement Levels



Inadequate:

Highly likely to need substantial support for the next grade/course

Below Satisfactory:

Likely to need substantial support for the next grade/course

On-Grade-Level:

May need additional support for the next grade/course

Proficient:

Likely to excel in the next grade/course

Mastery:

Highly likely to excel in the next grade/course

Scale Score Ranges for Each Achievement Level

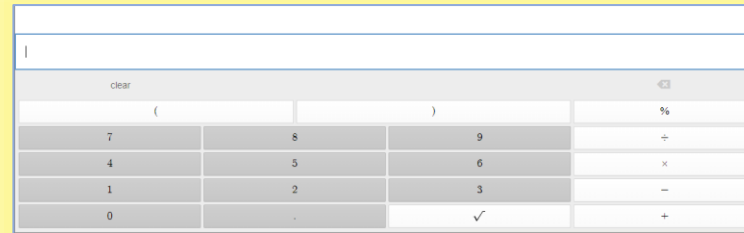
| Assessment | Level 1 | Level 2 | Level 3 | Level 4 | Level 5 |
|----------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| Grade 3 ELA Reading | 240–284 | 285–299 | 300–314 | 315–329 | 330–360 |
| Grade 4 ELA Reading | 251–296 | 297–310 | 311–324 | 325–339 | 340–372 |
| Grade 5 ELA Reading | 257–303 | 304–320 | 321–335 | 336–351 | 352–385 |
| Grade 6 ELA Reading | 259–308 | 309–325 | 326–338 | 339–355 | 356–391 |
| Grade 7 ELA Reading | 267–317 | 318–332 | 333–345 | 346–359 | 360–397 |
| Grade 8 ELA Reading | 274–321 | 322–336 | 337–351 | 352–365 | 366–403 |
| Grade 9 ELA Reading | 276–327 | 328–342 | 343–354 | 355–369 | 370–407 |
| Grade 10 ELA Reading | 284–333 | 334–349 | 350–361 | 362–377 | 378–412 |
| Grade 3 Mathematics | 240–284 | 285–296 | 297–310 | 311–326 | 327–360 |
| Grade 4 Mathematics | 251–298 | 299–309 | 310–324 | 325–339 | 340–376 |
| Grade 5 Mathematics | 256–305 | 306–319 | 320–333 | 334–349 | 350–388 |
| Grade 6 Mathematics | 260–309 | 310–324 | 325–338 | 339–355 | 356–390 |
| Grade 7 Mathematics | 269–315 | 316–329 | 330–345 | 346–359 | 360–391 |
| Grade 8 Mathematics | 273–321 | 322–336 | 337–352 | 353–364 | 365–393 |

F.A.S.T. Online Test: Mathematics

An online calculator will be provided. (Sample Calculators can be found as an app on Schoology)

- **6th Grade:** basic 4 function calculator
- **7th Grade:** approved scientific calculator

PM3 will be taken in one 120 minute session.



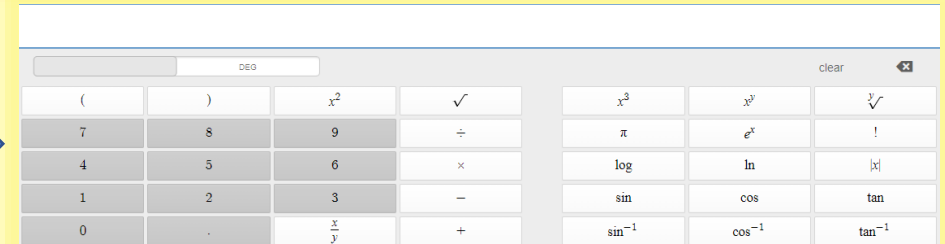
6th grade

Technology Enhanced Items – Mathematics

- Editing Task Choice
- Selectable Text
- Multiselect
- Graphic Response Item Display (GRID)
- Equation Editor
- Matching Item

Any of the item types may be combined into a single item with multiple parts.

7th/8th grade



Handheld Four-Function Calculators for FAST Grade 6 Mathematics

The following are FDOE-approved four-function calculators for the 2022–2023 school year:

- Texas Instruments TI-108
- Casio HS-4G
- Sharp EL233SB

Handheld Scientific Calculators for FSA/FAST/B.E.S.T. Mathematics

The following are FDOE-approved scientific calculators for the 2022–2023 school year:

- Texas Instruments TI-30Xa
- Casio fx-260 solar
- Casio fx-82 solar
- Sharp EL-510R
- Sharp EL-510RN

End of Year Activities for 6th Grade Students...

ONLY those who have
complied with the student
contract will be invited to
attend.

**Cambridge Students Field
Trip** Friday: April 26th
Kennedy Space Center \$120.00



A colorful poster titled "6th Grade Calendar Of Events" featuring musical notes and confetti. It lists three events in colored speech bubbles: March 20 (Miami Dade County Youth Fair), May 29 (Morgan Levy Park), and May 31 (Kings Bowling). A guitar is on the left, and three students with instruments are on the right. A note at the bottom states that payments are made through OSP.

6th Grade Calendar Of Events

Student participation in these activities is based on student behavior contract.

- MARCH 20** MIAMI DADE COUNTY YOUTH FAIR (SELECT STUDENTS ONLY)
8:45 am - 1:00 pm
\$20.00
- MAY 29** MORGAN LEVY PARK
9:00 am - 1:30 pm
FREE
- MAY 31** KINGS BOWLING
10:00 am - 1:30 pm
\$40.00

All Payments are made through OSP

Career Day Info...

- **When:** Wednesday, April 24, 2024
- **Who:** We are looking for parent volunteers or community members who can volunteer their time to share their career with students in grades 6 - 8. Career Day involves a short presentation (about 30 minutes each) providing information about your career, educational background, training, personal skills, job tasks and responsibilities.
- **Time:** The schedule for the day is:
 - 8:30 A.M.- 10:45 A.M. (All morning – 3 different classroom visitations)If you are willing to share your time and expertise, please fill out the attached Career Day Participant form that was given to your child and return it to your child's Homeroom teacher by Wednesday, April 17th, 2024.
If you have any questions or concerns, please contact **Ms. Rabelo** (irabelo@dadeschools.net). You will receive an email or a phone call confirming the date and your assigned session(s) approximately one week prior to Career Day.



Thank You!!!

Please check your child's Schoology for any updates and information.

Thank you for coming today!

