Friday, August 23, 2019

Dear Pine View Parents, Families, and Guardians,

The purpose of this letter is to inform our Pine View community that the Fall 2019 FSA EOC and NGSSS EOC exam administration for Algebra I, Biology, Civics, Geometry, and US History computer-based end-of-course assessments will take place in September. Please see the assessment schedule at the end of this letter for specific dates, times, and locations.

If your student needs to register for an End-of-Course exam, they will need to complete an EOC Registration Request Form from Mrs. Verdino in the Guidance Office.

The Grade 10 FSA ELA Computer-Based Retake is administered over three days and consists of one 120-minute ELA Writing session and two 90-minute ELA Reading sessions. For the FSA ELA Writing Retake and ELA Reading Retake sessions, any student who has not completed a session by the end of the allotted time may continue working up to half the length of a typical school day for that session.

Algebra I and Geometry FSA EOC assessments are administered in two 90-minute sessions over two days, and students may have up to half the length of a typical school day to complete each session.

Each Biology I, Civics, and U.S. History NGSSS EOC assessment is administered in one 160-minute session, but students may work up to the length of a typical school day.

Students will have an opportunity to participate in practice tests to become familiar with both computer-based and paper-based testing platforms, item types, and response formats he or she will see on the FSA assessments. If you and your student would like to review the computer-based and paper-based practice test at home, the practice tests and answer keys are available at http://www.FSAAssessments.org/students-and-families/practice-tests/.

For information regarding test session lengths for all 2019 FSA assessments, please visit the FSA Portal at www.FSAAssessments.org, click on the Students and Families icon, select the Frequently Asked Questions card, then select the question: “How long are the tests?”

Please review the following policies with your student before testing:

- **Electronic Devices**—Students are not permitted to have any electronic devices, including, but not limited to, cell phones, smartphones, and smartwatches, at any time during testing or during breaks (e.g., restroom), even if the devices are turned off or students do not use them. If your student is found with an electronic device, his or her test will be invalidated.

- **Calculators**—For EOC assessments, approved calculators may be used during Session 2 only. If students have handheld calculators during Session 1, their tests will be invalidated.

- **Testing Rules Acknowledgment**—All FSA tests include a Testing Rules Acknowledgment that reads: “I understand the testing rules that were just read to me. If I do not follow these rules, my test score may be invalidated.” Prior to testing, test administrators read the rules to students, and students acknowledge that they understand the testing rules by signing below the statement on their planning sheets, worksheets, or work folders.

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• **Discussing Test Content after Testing**—The last portion of the testing rules read to students before they sign below the Testing Rules Acknowledgment states: "Because the content of all statewide assessments is secure, you may not discuss or reveal details about the test content (including test items, passages, and prompts) after the test. This includes any type of electronic communication, such as texting, emailing, or posting online, for example, on Facebook, Twitter, Snapchat, or Instagram." Please make sure your student understands that “discussing” test content includes any kind of electronic communication, such as texting, emailing, posting to social media, or sharing online. **While students may not share information about secure test content after testing, this policy is not intended to prevent students from discussing their testing experiences with their parents/families.**

• **Working Independently**—Students are responsible for doing their own work during the test and for protecting their answers from being seen by others. If students are caught cheating during testing, their tests will be invalidated. In addition, the Florida Department of Education (FDOE) employs Caveon Test Security to analyze student test results to detect unusually similar answer patterns. Student tests within a school that are found to have extremely similar answer patterns will be invalidated.

• **Leaving Campus**—If your student leaves campus before completing a test session (e.g., for lunch, an appointment, illness), he or she **will not** be allowed to return to that test session. If your student does not feel well on the day of testing, it may be best for him or her to wait and be tested on a make-up day. Please remember not to schedule appointments on testing days.

• **Testing Accommodations**—If your student has an Individual Education Plan (IEP), a Section 504 Plan, or is an English Language Learner (ELL), please contact the school to discuss the testing accommodations that will be provided for your student.

If you have any questions related to this test administration, you may contact Lori Wiley, Test Coordinator at Pine View School via email at Lori.Wiley@sarasotacountyflschools.net. For more information about the FSA program, please visit the FSA Portal at www.FSAAssessments.org.

Thank you for supporting and encouraging your student during this test administration.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

Stephen P. Covert, Ph.D., Principal
Pine View School

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### Pine View School FALL 2019 FSA/EOC Daily Testing Schedule

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