

Florida Comprehensive Assessment Test (FCAT) Sunshine State Standards (SSS) Retake

Grades/Students

All eligible students in grades 11-13 and adult education students.
Retained students in grade 10 participate in Spring administration only.

Date

Administered in the Fall and Spring of each school year.

Description

The FCAT SSS assessments in Reading and Mathematics serve as graduation tests for students seeking a standard diploma. The FCAT graduation test is administered for the first time to all students in grade 10 in the Spring. Students in grades 11 and above who have not previously passed the FCAT graduation test have further opportunities to participate in the retake administrations in the Fall and Spring of each school year.

The FCAT graduation tests in Reading and Mathematics are standardized, criterion-referenced tests. The tests assess student achievement on selected benchmarks, as defined by the Sunshine State Standards.

For students who are retaking one or both portions of the Reading and Mathematics tests in grades 11 and above, the Retake format of the tests includes multiple-choice and gridded-response items only. Students may use calculators on the Mathematics Retake test.

Results

Scale scores ranging from 100 to 500, developmental scale scores from 0 to 3000, and content cluster scores are reported. Achievement levels that are based on students' scale scores and reflect levels of student proficiency are also reported. Achievement levels are designated as Level 1 (lowest) to Level 5 (highest). Results from the retake administrations are generally available six to eight weeks after the administration.

Beginning with the graduating class of 2004, the required passing scores for graduation are SS 300 / DSS 1926 in Reading and SS 300 / DSS 1889 in Mathematics.

Basis of Test

State mandate.

Website

<http://fcat.fldoe.org/>

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