



FLORIDA VIRTUAL  
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**Attention:**  
**Important information regarding state mandated EOC assessments for students enrolled in Florida Virtual School**

2017-18 School Year

Dear Florida Virtual School Parent/Guardian,

Statewide End-of-Course (EOC) assessments are administered to students enrolled in the following courses:

- Algebra 1
- Geometry
- Biology 1
- U.S. History
- Civics

**Public School Students**

Public school students enrolled in an EOC course **are required** to participate in EOC assessments. Per statute, the results of the assessment must constitute 30% of the student's final grade. Further, certain EOC assessments are required for graduation. To view the *Graduation Requirements for Florida's Statewide Assessments*, see:

<http://www.fldoe.org/core/fileparse.php/7764/urlt/GradRequireFSA.pdf>.

**Home Education Students**

Home Education students enrolled in an EOC course may choose to participate in EOC assessments; however, they are not mandatory and do not count as a portion of the student's final course grade. **Please contact your district home education office** for further information about EOC assessments and/or graduation requirements well in advance of a test administration. Note that some districts only allow Home Education students to test at certain times during the school year and often there is a registration window prior to testing.

**Private School Students**

Private school students enrolled in an EOC course may participate in EOC assessments **if permitted** by the student's school district. Private school students who wish to participate in EOC testing, or who plan to enroll in a public school at a future date, should speak with their private school counselor or contact the local school board office for guidance. Students should follow the district's policies regarding testing private school students; some districts may not allow students transferring from the private school system to participate in EOC administrations.

Private school students who are enrolled under the McKay or Florida Tax Credit Scholarship programs **may participate** in EOC assessments regardless of the district's testing policy on private school students. Please contact your private school counselor or the local school board office for directions.

*Note that some schools/districts may have testing restrictions or specific rules to follow. **Students should have an official photo ID for EOC testing.***

FLVS does not administer EOC assessments. These tests are computer-based and administered at your student's public school of enrollment (zoned school) or a separate location designated by the district. **Accommodations will be provided for students with documented IEP or 504 Plans on file with their zoned school district.** If this applies to your child, please confirm the school has advance notice of all necessary information prior to test day.



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**Students enrolled in Algebra 1 or Geometry** will participate in the Florida Standards Assessments (FSA) EOC, which measures student achievement of the Florida Standards. Students taking an FSA EOC assessment *are required to complete a practice test* prior to taking the Algebra 1 or Geometry EOC Assessment. To access the FSA practice tests, visit the FSA Portal at <http://fsassessments.org/students-and-families/practice-tests/>; please sign in as a “guest” and be prepared to let your test administrator know that you have completed this requirement.

**Students enrolled in Biology 1, U.S. History, or Civics** will participate in the Next Generation Sunshine State Standards (NGSSS) EOC, which measures student achievement of the Next Generation Sunshine State Standards. Students taking an NGSSS EOC assessment *are required to complete a practice test (ePAT)* prior to taking the Biology 1, U.S. History, or Civics EOC Assessment. [Click here to access the required ePAT.](#)

**Failure to take the FSA practice test or NGSSS ePAT may result in a student being denied access to the EOC assessment.** These practice tests provide students with an opportunity to become comfortable with the computer functionality and tools they will use during testing.

Please discuss with your school counselor how these assessment results will affect your student’s final grade and graduation options. If applicable, the student’s final grade in the EOC course taken with FLVS may be recalculated by the district/school of enrollment. Further, students may earn additional designations (Scholar or Merit) on their standard high school diploma based on EOC results in specific courses.

### How can I help my student prepare?

- Visit [www.flvs.net/EOC](http://www.flvs.net/EOC) to access various resources to prepare for EOC assessments (both NGSSS and FSA).
- NGSSS EOC testers should [click here to take the ePAT](#). It is a requirement that students take a practice test prior to taking the NGSSS EOC assessment. This practice test will help your student gain familiarity with the test functionality and tools.
- FSA EOC testers should visit the following website to take the practice test: <http://fsassessments.org/students-and-families/practice-tests/>. It is a requirement that students take a practice test before taking the FSA EOC assessment. This practice test will help your student gain familiarity with the test functionality and tools.
- Students taking an EOC course with FLVS should contact their FLVS instructor for access to Shmoop EOC test preparation materials.
- Students can attend EOC review sessions hosted by FLVS instructors. Information will be provided by the FLVS instructor. You may also go to [www.flvs.net/EOC](http://www.flvs.net/EOC) to access recorded review sessions by subject area.
- Visit the Florida Department of Education’s websites [www.fsassessments.org/](http://www.fsassessments.org/) and <http://fcats.fldoe.org/eoc> to access information provided by the Department of Education regarding the FSA and NGSSS EOC assessments.

Please contact the FLVS Assessment Team at [testing@flvs.net](mailto:testing@flvs.net) or your school counselor with any questions regarding EOC assessments.

Sincerely,  
The FLVS Assessment Team