

Transition to FCAT 2.0 Resources and Communications

Websites

- FCAT 2.0 website (<http://fcat.fldoe.org/fcat2/>); launched June 2010; communicated to school districts in Back to School Memo, August 2010 (<http://www.fldoe.org/asp/k12memo/pdf/btsmemo.pdf>) and to the State Board of Education, August 2010: (http://www.fldoe.org/board/meetings/2010_09_21/covercommreport.pdf)
- SuccessMeasures website (<http://www.fldoe.org/successmeasures/>); press release sent 12/9/10 (http://www.fldoe.org/news/2010/2010_12_09.asp); Spanish version to be launched by the end of April.
- Just for Teachers website includes a page dedicated to posting and linking to information on FCAT 2.0: <http://www.fldoe.org/JustForTeachers/FCAT.asp>
- Achievement Level Descriptions Review website (<https://app2.fldoe.org/Assessment/fcatEOC/>); communicated on 3/25/10 (<http://info.fldoe.org/docushare/dsweb/Get/Document-6034/dps-2011-41.pdf>)
- CPALMS website with Next Generation Sunshine State Standards and FCAT 2.0 Test Item Specifications (<http://www.floridastandards.org/Standards/PublicPreviewBenchmark620.aspx>)
- PearsonAccess (<http://www.pearsonaccess.com/cs/Satellite?pagename=Pearson/QuickLink/fl>); this is a website for school districts cited in numerous communications to District Assessment Coordinators. It houses FCAT 2.0 information, such as Test Administration Manuals and training materials and provides districts with a means for technical support.
- Test Development Center SharePoint site (<http://sharepoint.leon.k12.fl.us/tdc/external/default.aspx>); highlighted in numerous public presentations and in communications to District Assessment Coordinators. It includes FCAT 2.0 information, such as Test Item Specifications and numerous presentations that act as supplemental materials for school districts to use when informing staff about the FCAT 2.0.
- Computer-Based Testing website (<http://fcat.fldoe.org/fcat2/cbt.asp>); site keeps districts informed of technical requirements and other computer-based testing matters as FCAT 2.0 assessments transition to computer-based testing.

Schedules

- Revised 2010-11 Statewide Assessment Schedule (<http://info.fldoe.org/docushare/dsweb/Get/Document-5478/stwasa.pdf>) Memo to districts, summer 2010 (<http://info.fldoe.org/docushare/dsweb/Get/Document-5850/dps-2010-147.pdf>) and (<http://info.fldoe.org/docushare/dsweb/Get/Document-5817/dps-2010-114.pdf>)
- 2010-11 FCAT/FCAT 2.0 Reading, Mathematics, and Science Daily Test Administration Schedule (<http://www.fldoe.org/asp/k12memo/pdf/11DRMSS.pdf>); October 2010.

<http://www.fldoe.org/asp/k12memo/pdf/Spring2011DailySessionSchedulAndDistrictAdminSelections.pdf>)

- 2011-12 Statewide Assessment Schedule (<http://info.fldoe.org/docushare/dsweb/Get/Document-5851/dps-2010-147a.pdf>); July 2010, (<http://info.fldoe.org/docushare/dsweb/Get/Document-5850/dps-2010-147.pdf>)
- Transition to Next Generation and Computer-Based Tests in Florida (<http://www.fldoe.org/asp/k12memo/pdf/tngcbtf.pdf>); November 2009 (<http://www.fldoe.org/asp/k12memo/pdf/supcall.pdf>), Senate Bill 4 Implementation Technical Assistance (<http://www.fldoe.org/BII/pdf/SB4-Final2.pdf>).

Publications/Resources

- FCAT 2.0 Frequently Asked Questions (<http://www.fldoe.org/faq/default.asp?Dept=179&Cat=123>); Summer 2010 (<http://www.fldoe.org/asp/k12memo/pdf/btsmemo.pdf>); State Board of Education (http://www.fldoe.org/board/meetings/2010_09_21/covercommreport.pdf)
- FCAT 2.0 Fact Sheet (<http://fcad.fldoe.org/fcat2/pdf/ffs2.pdf>); posted February 2011 and communicated to public libraries on March 2011.
- FCAT 2.0 Sample Questions and Answer Key booklets for all grades and subjects assessed (<http://fcad.fldoe.org/fcat2/fcatitem.asp>); October 2010, <http://www.fldoe.org/asp/k12memo/pdf/2011FCATSampleTestMaterials.pdf>
- FCAT 2.0 Reading, Mathematics, and Science Test Item Specifications are posted on the DOE website (<http://fcad.fldoe.org/fcat2/itemspecs.asp>), the CPALMS website (<http://www.floridastandards.org/Standards/PublicPreviewBenchmark620.aspx>), and the SharePoint website (<http://sharepoint.leon.k12.fl.us/tdc/external/default.aspx>); availability announced beginning in summer 2010: (<http://www.fldoe.org/asp/k12memo/pdf/K-12AssessmentUpdates.pdf>), (<http://www.fldoe.org/asp/k12memo/pdf/FCAT2MathTestItemSpecifications.pdf>), (<http://www.fldoe.org/asp/k12memo/pdf/DraftFCAT20ScienceTestItemSpecs.pdf>).
- Grade 5 FCAT 2.0 Mathematics Reference Sheet (<http://fcad.fldoe.org/fcat2/pdf/mg5rsr.pdf>); provided in FCAT 2.0 Sample Questions and Answer Key Booklets, FCAT 2.0 Mathematics Test Items Specifications, question 16 of FCAT 2.0 FAQs (<http://www.fldoe.org/faq/default.asp?Dept=179&ID=1403#Q1403>), and announced December 2010, (<http://www.fldoe.org/asp/k12memo/pdf/K-12AssessmentUpdates12-2-10.pdf>)
- Grades 6-8 FCAT 2.0 Mathematics Reference Sheet (<http://fcad.fldoe.org/fcat2/pdf/mg68rs.pdf>); provided in FCAT 2.0 Sample Questions and Answer Key Booklets, FCAT 2.0 Mathematics Test Items Specifications, question 16 of FCAT 2.0 FAQs (<http://www.fldoe.org/faq/default.asp?Dept=179&ID=1403#Q1403>), and communicated to districts in December 2010, (<http://www.fldoe.org/asp/k12memo/pdf/K-12AssessmentUpdates12-2-10.pdf>)
- Test Design Summary for 2011 Operational Assessments: FCAT/FCAT2.0/End-of-Course (<http://fcad.fldoe.org/pdf/designsummary.pdf>); in Back to School Memo August 2010, (<http://www.fldoe.org/asp/k12memo/pdf/btsmemo.pdf>)

- FCAT/FCAT 2.0 Reading, Mathematics, and Science Test Administration Manuals; to districts in February 2011; electronic copies posted on PearsonAccess (<http://www.pearsonaccess.com/cs/Satellite?pagename=Pearson/QuickLink/fl>)
- Guide to FCAT and FCAT 2.0 Accommodations for Students with Disabilities: (<http://www.fldoe.org/ese/pdf/fcatteam.pdf>); December 2010
- Planning FCAT and FCAT 2.0 Accommodations for Students with Disabilities (<http://www.fldoe.org/ese/fcat/FCATPlanning.pdf>); December 2010
- Senate Bill 4 Implementation Technical Assistance (<http://www.fldoe.org/BII/pdf/SB4-Final2.pdf>); September 2010
- Florida's Guide to Public High School Graduation 2010-11 (<http://www.fldoe.org/BII/StudentPro/pdf/HSbrochure.pdf>); announced August 2010, (<http://info.fldoe.org/docushare/dsweb/Get/Document-5866/dps-2010-138.pdf>)
- Understanding FCAT 2.0 Reports will be announced and posted on the DOE website prior to the release of student scores.

FCAT 2.0 Committee Information

- One Year of Florida's Assessment Committee Participants 2009-2010 (<http://fcat.fldoe.org/pdf/oneyear-participants.pdf>); District Assessment and Accountability Coordinator meeting September 2010, presentation posted at <http://www.fldoe.org/asp/k12memo/pdf/Welcome.pdf>
- Participation in State Assessment Committees (<http://fcat.fldoe.org/pdf/state-assessment-committees.pdf>).
- FCAT 2.0 Standard-Setting Committees and Nominations; Nomination Form: <http://www.fldoe.org/asp/k12memo/pdf/StandardSettingNominationForm.pdf>; associated memoranda: (<http://www.fldoe.org/asp/k12memo/pdf/fcateocasscnn.pdf>, (<http://www.fldoe.org/asp/k12memo/pdf/FCAT2AndEOCStandard-SettingCommittees.pdf>), (<http://www.fldoe.org/asp/k12memo/pdf/FCAT2AndEOCStandard-SettingCommittees.pdf>)

Memoranda

- FCAT/FCAT 2.0 Memoranda site (<http://www.fldoe.org/asp/k12memo/k12memo-fcat.asp>)
- Spring Testing Updates, January 2011, (<http://www.fldoe.org/asp/k12memo/pdf/stu.pdf>)
- K-12 Assessment Updates, January 2011, (<http://www.fldoe.org/asp/k12memo/pdf/K-12AssessmentUpdates.pdf>)
- K-12 Assessment Updates, December 2010, (<http://www.fldoe.org/asp/k12memo/pdf/K-12AssessmentUpdates12-2-10.pdf>)
- Back to School Memo, August 2010, (<http://www.fldoe.org/asp/k12memo/pdf/btsmemo.pdf>)
- Changes to FCAT in 2009 and Beyond, March 2009, (<http://info.fldoe.org/docushare/dsweb/Get/Document-5347/fcat09.pdf>)

Presentations

- Annual District Assessment and Accountability Coordinators Meeting Presentations (<http://www.fldoe.org/asp/k12memo/k12memo-fcat.asp>)
- Presentations to school districts and Florida Organization of Instructional Leaders (FOIL) on FCAT/FCAT 2.0 (<http://www.fldoe.org/asp/k12memo/k12memo-fcat.asp>); archived presentations: <http://www.fldoe.org/asp/k12memo/09-10.asp> and <http://www.fldoe.org/asp/k12memo/07-08.asp>.
- Test Development Center SharePoint site (<http://sharepoint.leon.k12.fl.us/tdc/external/default.aspx>); presentations for districts to use for the purpose of informing staff about changes to the program are in each subject-area tab
- Presentation for teachers of English language learners: <http://www.fldoe.org/aala/>

Scoring Information

- Applying Algebra 1 EOC Assessment Results memorandum to school districts, April 2011.
- 2011 Equipercentile Linking: FCAT 2.0 Reading and Mathematics presentation (<http://www.fldoe.org/pdf/2011EquipercentileLinking.pdf>); posted in FCAT 2.0 FAQs (<http://www.fldoe.org/faq/default.asp?Dept=179&ID=1433#Q1433>)
- Linking 2011 FCAT 2.0 Scores to the FCAT Vertical Scale: Legal and Policy Perspectives (communicated to District Assessment Coordinators and LPAC Superintendents; January 2011)
- Study of Best Practices for Vertical Scaling and Standard Setting with Recommendations for FCAT 2.0 (<http://www.fldoe.org/asp/k12memo/pdf/StudyBestPracticesVerticalScalingStandardSetting.pdf>); September 2010 (<http://www.fldoe.org/asp/k12memo/pdf/FCAT2AndEOCStandard-SettingCommittees.pdf>)
- Implementation of Data Forensics Program to Strengthen the Fairness and Validity of Spring 2011 Assessment Results, March 2011: (<http://www.fldoe.org/asp/k12memo/pdf/idfpsfv.pdf>)
- Data Forensics WebEx, March 2011: <http://www.pearsonaccess.com/cs/Satellite?c=Page&childpagename=Florida%2FfIPALPLayout&cid=1205461226841&pagename=fIPALPWrapper&resourcecategory=Spring+R%2FM%2FS>

Other Communication Venues

- Regular e-mails sent to District Assessment Coordinators by K-12 Assessment staff for the purpose of updating districts about the program.
- Bureau of Curriculum and Instruction Monthly Newsletters: <http://www.fldoe.org/bii/>
- Monthly school district superintendent calls
- Bi-monthly curriculum calls

- Florida Association for District School Superintendents (FADSS) meetings
- Presentation to Florida Association of School Administrators
- Presentation to Teacher Preparation Program representatives.
- Presentation to Florida's Teachers of the Year
- Presentation to the Florida Chamber of Commerce
- Presentation to Florida's rural school districts' Consortia.
- Success Measures Toolkit to districts, including information about FCAT 2.0, talking points, template press release, logo and flyer; December 2010.
- Social media – Facebook (EducationFL) and Twitter (TeachersFL) – posts on computer-based testing and FCAT 2.0
- Listserv email message to public libraries about transition from FCAT to FCAT 2.0 – 3/29/11
- Just for Teachers January 2011 newsletter (<http://www.fldoe.org/JustForTeachers/Newsletters/>) dedicated to assessment and distributed to all teachers in the state.
- Regional Education Directors (REDs) presentations on Next Generation Sunshine State Standards, FCAT 2.0 Test Item Specifications, and Senate Bill 4 technical assistance to district and school-based staff, such as Reading Coordinators and Mathematics Coaches.