

Private School Students and Parents/Guardians,

As many of you are aware, Dr. Tony Bennett, former Commissioner of Education for the State of Florida, released a memorandum on April 15, 2013 regarding private school student participation in Florida End-of-Course (EOC) Assessments for students who plan to enter public schools at some point in their educational careers. The Polk County School Board will provide this service during the state's summer EOC administration window of **July 10 – 12, 2018**.

In order to take advantage of this opportunity, you will need to complete an online registration process, via a secure Google Form, by **June 15, 2018**. This form can be accessed by visiting the District's Parents' Testing page, <http://www.polk-fl.net/parents/testing/default.htm>, or via the following direct link, <https://goo.gl/forms/wJXcVjS9q2llwq8u1>. Completion of the registration form will serve as intent for testing and provide us with the necessary information to enter the student into the state testing system. Additional information and registration confirmation will be communicated to you via email/phone on or before July 6, 2018. **No late registration is available for these assessments.**

If the student requires an accommodation for testing, the student's official current Individual Education Plan (IEP), 504 Plan, or English Language Learner (ELL) status must be included with an Accommodations' Request Form (<http://www.polk-fl.net/parents/testing/documents/PrivateSchoolStudentAccommodationsRequestForm2018.pdf>) to be completed by the student's current school (with the school principal or director's signature). This information **MUST** be faxed or emailed to the Assessment, Accountability, and Evaluation office at 863-647-4709 or heather.himes@polk-fl.net by **June 15, 2018**.

Private school students participating in EOC exams will be required to bring photo-identification to verify their identities on the day of testing. Please make arrangements prior to testing to pick up your student from the test site. The math EOC exams involve two testing sessions over two days. These sessions are 90 minutes each, but the student may have up to 3 ½ hours each day. Please note that FLDOE allows students to take both sessions in one day for the summer administration only. For the science and history EOC exams, students are required to sit for at least 80 minutes of each assessment and will not be permitted to leave (even if completed and submitted) prior to this time limit. For most students, each EOC takes approximately 3 hours to complete; however, students may have continue testing until the end of the school day in order to complete the assessment. Snacks or lunch will not be provided. However, a 30-minute break is provided for a student to eat after the state-required 160-minute sitting for the science and history EOC assessments.

Students are required to practice using an online test prior to the actual assessment. To access the practice test for Biology, Civics, or US History, please visit <http://download.pearsonaccessnext.com/fl/fl-practicetest.html?links=true>. For Algebra 1 or Geometry, please complete the appropriate practice test located at <http://fsassessments.org/students-and-families/practice-tests/>. Students will log in as guests to a guest session. If the student has not practiced prior to taking the EOC test, he/she will be excused from the test site. No official documentation is required to demonstrate proof of requirement completion.

For more information about individual EOC exams, please visit the Florida Department of Education's End-of-Course Assessments website at <http://www.fldoe.org/accountability/assessments/k-12-student-assessment/end-of-course-eoc-assessments/>.

SUMMER 2018 TEST REGISTRATION – Private School Students

In order for a private school student to participate in the Summer 2018 Session of the Florida End-of-Course Assessments (FSA Algebra 1, FSA Geometry, NGSSS Biology 1, NGSSS Civics, and/or NGSSS U.S. History), the online registration form, <https://goo.gl/forms/wJXcVjS9q2llwq8u1>, must be completed by **June 15, 2018**.

****No registrations will be accepted after June 15, 2018.****

Summer 2018 Testing Sites		
Bartow Senior High (Testing at Summerlin Academy)	Haines City Senior High	Winter Haven Senior High

FSA Algebra 1	Geometry +	Biology 1	Civics	US History
In Algebra 1 or Equivalent	In Geometry or Equivalent	In Biology 1 or Equivalent	In Civics or Equivalent (Middle School Only)	In US History or Equivalent (High School Only)
July 10	July 10	July 12	July 12	July 12

Information Needed To Complete Online Registration Form
1.) Student First Name
2.) Student Last Name
3.) Social Security Number (needed to create a student ID)
4.) Place of Birth (needed to create a student ID)
5.) Polk Student ID <i>(If student was a prior Polk student or will be for the 18-19 school year)</i>
6.) Student Date of Birth
7.) Grade Level for 2017-2018
8.) Gender
9.) Race
10.) Hispanic Ethnicity (Y/N)
11.) IEP/504 (Y/N)
12.) ELL Status
13.) Preferred Testing Location
14.) School Attended 2017-2018
15.) Student's Home Address
16.) Contact Phone Number
17.) Contact Email Address
18.) Parent First Name
19.) Parent Last Name

Should you have any further questions, please contact:

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