

AHFACHKEE SCHOOL

TESTING DEPARTMENT

Welcome to the new school year! My goal is to make the assessment process as seamless, transparent, and stress-free as possible for our students, families, and staff. I am here to ensure that every student has the best chance to succeed by making sure all required tests are given in a secure, organized way and that results are reported accurately. Please feel free to reach out with any questions about upcoming assessments, data, or resources.

Ahfachkee School adheres to the State of Florida's testing requirements. We are focused on high standards and continuous improvement by tracking student performance and progress.

GUIDE TO STUDENT ASSESSMENTS

Florida Assessment of Student Thinking (F.A.S.T.)	A progress monitoring system administered three times per year (beginning, middle, and end) for Reading (Grades K–10) and Mathematics (Grades K–8) aligned with B.E.S.T. standards.
End-of-Course (EOC) Exams	Computer-based tests for specific courses like Algebra 1, Geometry, Biology 1, U.S. History, and Civics. EOCs generally account for 30% of a student's final course grade.
B.E.S.T. Writing	Administered to students in grades 4–10.
Florida Alternate Assessment (FAA)	Evaluates students with significant cognitive disabilities for whom general statewide assessments are not appropriate, even with accommodations.
Florida Civic Literacy Exam (FCLE)	A computer-based test required for high school students enrolled in a U.S. Government course.
SAT, ACT, CLT	Standardized college admissions tests measuring high school achievement and college readiness.

TIPS FOR TESTING SUCCESS

- **Stay Informed:** Keep an eye out for specific testing dates sent home throughout the year.
- **Be Prepared:** Ensure students get plenty of rest the night before an exam and arrive at school on time.