

## Glossary of Assessment Terms

The following glossary includes definitions of assessment terms and explanations of acronyms used throughout this template.

Acronym/Term	Definition
ACCESS for ELLs	Assessing Comprehension and Communication in English State-to-State (ACCESS) for English Language Learners (ELLs)
Accommodation	Per Rule 6A-1.0943, F.A.C., "Accommodations are defined as adjustments to the presentation of the statewide standardized assessment questions, methods of recording examinee responses to the questions, scheduling for the administration of a statewide standardized assessment to include amount of time for administration, settings for administration of a statewide standardized assessment, and the use of assistive technology or devices to facilitate the student's participation in a statewide standardized assessment." These are available to eligible students if indicated as an accommodation on an IEP or Section 504 plan.
CBT	Computer-Based Test
Diagnostic	Assessments that measure students' understanding of a subject area or skills base, which allow teachers and educators to evaluate student learning, focusing on strengths and areas of need
District Window	The selected dates within the statewide window during which a district will administer a given assessment
District-Required Assessments	Assessments required by the school district for students in a specific grade or course
ELA	English Language Arts
EOC	End-of-Course
Evaluative	Assessments that measure student proficiency at selected intervals in order to compare change over time and to compare state-level results
FAIR	Florida Assessments for Instruction in Reading
FLKRS	Florida Kindergarten Readiness Screener
Formative	Formative assessments are the formal and informal ways that teachers and students gather and respond to evidence of student learning. Formative assessments are part of teaching in the classroom. Formative assessments will not result in a score that will appear on a student's report card, but they serve the greater purpose of informing both students and teachers on what changes need to happen in classroom instruction to better serve the needs of individual students.
FSA	Florida Standards Assessments
FSAA	Florida Standards Alternate Assessment
Interim	Interim assessments are administered on a smaller scale (i.e., school or district) with results that can be used at the classroom level or aggregated at the school- or district-level. Depending on the design, interim assessments can be used to predict a student's ability to succeed on a summative assessment, to evaluate a program, or to diagnose student learning gaps.
NAEP	National Assessment of Educational Progress
NGSSS	Next Generation Sunshine State Standards
PBT	Paper-Based Test
Progress Monitoring	Process used to determine whether a student's academic performance is improving, at what rate it is improving, and how effective instruction has been
PSAT/NMSQT	Preliminary SAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test
Summative	Assessments that evaluate student mastery of Florida's academic standards at or near the conclusion of the course of instruction
Statewide, Standardized Assessments	All assessments required by <a href="#">s. 1008.22</a> , Florida Statutes (F.S.)
Test Window	The range of dates during which districts and/or schools may choose to administer a given assessment
Testing Time	The amount of time individual students are each given to respond to test items on each test

## Test, Type, and Purpose/Use

Test	Type	Purpose/Required Use	Statutory Authority/Required Use Citation
ACCESS for ELLs 2.0	Diagnostic	Measure English language acquisition of ELLs	s. 1003.56, F.S.
Alternate ACCESS for ELLs	Diagnostic	Measure English language acquisition of ELLs with significant cognitive disabilities	Rule 6A-6.0902, F.A.C. Rule 6A-6.0903, F.A.C. Rule 6A-6.09021, F.A.C.
FAIR	Diagnostic/Progress Monitoring	Provides general estimate of students' reading ability/monitors students' progress toward meeting grade-level skills in reading	s. 1008.25(4), F.S.
FLKRS	Diagnostic/Progress Monitoring	Determine readiness for kindergarten; used to calculate VPK Provider Kindergarten Readiness Rates	s. 1002.69, F.S. Rule 6M-8.601, F.A.C.
FSA	Summative	Purpose: Measure student achievement of Florida's academic standards (Florida Standards, Next Generation Sunshine State Standards)  Required uses: third grade retention; high school standard diploma; EOC assessments as 30% of course grade; school grades; school improvement rating; district grades; differentiated accountability; scholar designation; federal reporting; Credit Acceleration Program (CAP); school improvement plans; school, district, state, and federal reporting  Optional uses: progress monitoring in accordance with student progress plan	s. 1008.22, F.S.
FSAA	Summative		Rule 6A-1.09422, F.A.C.
NGSSS EOC Assessments	Summative		Rule 6A-1.0943, F.A.C.
Statewide Science Assessment	Summative		Rule 6A-1.09432, F.A.C. Rule 6A-1.094223, F.A.C. s. 1008.25, F.S. Rule 6A-1.094221, F.A.C. Rule 6A-1.094222, F.A.C. s. 1003.4156, F.S. s. 1003.4282, F.S. s. 1008.34, F.S. Rule 6A-1.09981, F.A.C. s. 1008.341, F.S. Rule 6A-1.099822, F.A.C. s. 1008.33, F.S. Rule 6A-1.099811, F.A.C. s. 1012.34, F.S. s. 1002.38, F.S.
NAEP	Evaluative	Measure student performance for comparison among state and national populations over time	s. 1008.22, F.S.
PSAT/NMSQT	Summative	Inform course placement	s. 1007.35, F.S.