

Zephyrhílls Hígh School

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Dear Parent/Guardian,

You are receiving this letter because your student, who will be a junior or senior for the 2020-21 school year, still needs to pass the FSA Algebra 1 End-of-Course exam as a graduation requirement.

The computer-based assessment will be offered at the ZHS campus on two different days:

- Monday, July 13th, 2020 at 8:00am -or-
- Tuesday July 14th, 2020 at 8:00am

For this summer testing opportunity, the FSA Algebra 1 EOC will be offered in one full day instead of the normal two day sessions. The test will take approximately 4 or 5 hours.

Please RSVP by the end of the day on Monday, July 6th, to register your student to take this test for one of the two days provided. Here is the link: <u>https://bit.ly/2NHkzAF</u> This RSVP link for the electronic registration form can be found on the ZHS website in the scrolling announcements or under the "Students" tab.

If you or your student would like to review the computer-based practice test at home, the practice tests and answer keys are available at <u>http://www.FSAssessments.org/students-and-families/practice-tests/</u>.

Student Safety:

Zephyrhills High School and all Pasco County Schools follow the recommended CDC guidelines for safety during this test administration. Please read the following:

- Students should conduct a health self-screening before attending the testing session.
- If any student or any family member of the student is ill, the student must wait until the fall to take the test instead.
- Students should be prepared to practice social distancing on campus the entire time before, during, and after testing.
- Hand sanitizer will be available at the testing location.
- The school staff are expected to wear masks at all times while on campus and the students are encouraged to do the same.
- Students are also encouraged to bring their own pencils to use for writing on the provided scratch paper.

Testing Policies and Procedures:

- Electronic Devices—Students are not permitted to have any electronic devices, including, but not limited to, cell phones, smartphones, and smartwatches, at any time during testing or during breaks (e.g., restroom), even if the devices are turned off or students do not use them. If your student is found with an electronic device, his or her test must be invalidated.
- Testing Rules Acknowledgment—All tests include a Testing Rules Acknowledgment that reads: "I understand the testing rules that were just read to me. If I do not follow these rules, my test score may be invalidated." Prior to testing, test administrators read the rules to students, and students acknowledge that they understand the testing rules by signing below the statement on their planning sheets, worksheets, or work folders.
- Discussing Test Content after Testing—The last portion of the testing rules read to students before they sign below the Testing Rules Acknowledgment states: "Because the content of all statewide assessments is secure, you may not discuss or reveal details about the test content (including test items, passages, and

prompts) after the test. This includes any type of electronic communication, such as texting, emailing, or posting online, for example, on Facebook, Twitter, Snapchat, or Instagram." Please make sure your student understands that "discussing" test content includes any kind of electronic communication, such as texting, emailing, posting to social media, or sharing online. While students may not share information about secure test content after testing, this policy is not intended to prevent students from discussing their testing experiences with their parents/families.

- Working Independently—Students are responsible for doing their own work during the test and for
 protecting their answers from being seen by others. If students are caught cheating during testing, their
 tests will be invalidated. In addition, the Florida Department of Education (FDOE) employs Cambium Test
 Security to analyze student test results to detect unusually similar answer patterns.
- Leaving Campus—If your student leaves campus before completing a test session, he or she will not be allowed to return to that test session. If your student does not feel well on the day of testing, please do not have the student attend the test administrator. We will reschedule the student for a make-up day or wait until the fall test administration to take the test. Please remember not to schedule appointments on testing days.
- Testing Accommodations—If your student has an Individual Education Plan (IEP), a Section 504 Plan, or is an English Language Learner (ELL), please indicate that information on the electronic RSVP registration form when signing your student up to take the test.

For more information about the Florida Statewide Assessments program, please visit the portal at <u>www.FSAssessments.org</u>. If you have any questions related to this test administration, you may contact Jennifer Yonkof at <u>jingerso@pasco.k12.fl.us</u> or at 813-485-6814.

Remember, you must RSVP for your student to take the test or we will not be able to guarantee a spot for them on the testing days. Please RSVP by the end of the day on Monday, July 6th, to register your student to take this test for one of the two days provided. The link to RSVP can be found on the ZHS website in the scrolling announcements or under the "Students" tab.

Thank you for supporting your student and encouraging him or her to do his or her best during this test administration.

Sincerely,

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