



Language Arts

Assessment and Curriculum Night
Ramblewood Middle School
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Florida State Standards

- The Florida Standards prepare our students with the knowledge and skills they need to be ready for careers and college-level coursework.
- In order to prepare our students for success and make them competitive in the global workplace, we must provide them with a set of clear, consistent and strong academic standards.
- Having the best and highest academic standards for our students today will prepare them for the jobs of tomorrow.

Florida State Standards



- Language Standards
 - Grammar
 - Vocabulary
- Reading Standards for Informational Text
 - Key Ideas
 - Text Complexity
- Reading Standards for Literature
 - Key Ideas
 - Text Complexity
- Standards for Speaking and Listening
 - Collaboration in Discussions
 - Diverse Media
- Writing Standards
 - Type and Purpose
 - Research
 - Writing Process



Florida State Standards

Resources

- WWW.FLSTANDARDS.ORG
- WWW.CPALMS.ORG

collections

Houghton Mifflin Harcourt

TRANSCEND THE TRADITIONAL



Curriculum

Curriculum

- *Collections* helps students develop abilities to analyze complex texts, determine evidence, reason critically, and communicate thoughtfully—the must-have skills for college and career.
- Developed around rigorous new state standards.
- ***What Collections looks like:***
 - Uses a blended digital and print approach to teach the standards
 - Provides complex texts including fiction, nonfiction, and informational texts
 - NEWSELA



Broward SSO

MY HRW Online Textbook

- Your child can access their textbook and any online assignments from home.
- Broward SSO: Launchpad
- MY.HRW
 - User id: Student Number
 - Password: PMM/DD/YYYY

Florida State Assessment (FSA)

Overview

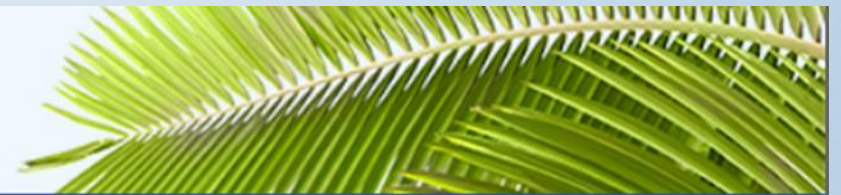
- The FSA test is the newest Florida state standardized test that replaced the reading and writing FCAT.
- FSA ELA Writing – Grades 4-11
- FSA ELA Reading, Language, and Listening – Grades 3-11
- Writing + Reading + Language, Listening = **One Score**
- Students must be a **level 3** or higher in order to be considered proficient.

Florida Standards Assessments (FSA)	
FSA English Language Arts (ELA) and Mathematics	
Dates	Assessment
March 1–9, 2018	Grades 8–10 ELA Writing
March 5–9, 2018	Grades 4–7 ELA Writing
April 9–13, 2018	Grade 3 ELA Reading
April 16–May 11, 2018	Grades 4–10 ELA Reading Grades 3–8 Mathematics

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Practice Test

- There are online practice tests that your child can complete.
 - <http://www.fsassessments.org/>
 - On the right side of the screen, click on PRACTICE TESTS
 - Click on TAKE THE COMPUTER-BASED PRACTICE TEST
 - Sign in and take the test



Florida State Assessment (FSA)

Reading

What does the FSA Reading, Language and Listening Test consist of?

- The test will consist of the following types of questions:
 - Multiple Choice
 - Multi-Select
 - Open Response
- The test will take place during two, 80 minute sessions.
- The test will be computer based.

Florida State Assessment (FSA)

Reading

- How is your child being prepared for the FSA Reading test?
 - The appropriate standards are being taught in the classroom using the Collections curriculum and ancillary materials
 - The students are being taught and are practicing how to cite textual evidence
 - Students are being taught grade appropriate vocabulary

Florida State Assessment (FSA)

Writing

What does the writing test look like?

- **Overall Task Description:**
 - Students will be asked to write an informative or argumentative essay.
 - Students will read a stimulus about a single topic.
 - A stimulus consists of two to four texts written on a single topic.
 - The stimulus will consist of informational or literary fiction or nonfiction texts and can cover a wide array of topics.
 - After reading the given texts, the student will respond to a writing prompt.
 - The test will take place during one, 120 minute session.
 - 6th & 7th grade students will take the test using paper and pencil
 - 8th grade students will take the test using computers to type their essays.

Florida State Assessment (FSA)

Writing

Informational Essay

- The stimulus will be presented along with a writing prompt that asks students to write an essay about the topic.
- The students will be required to synthesize and analyze ideas and evidence from the stimuli to support a controlling idea.

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Writing

Argumentative Essay

- The stimulus will be presented along with a writing prompt that asks students to write an essay about the topic.
- The students will be required to synthesize and analyze ideas and evidence from the stimuli.
- They will use these ideas to argue and support a claim and address an alternate and opposing claim.

Rubrics

Purpose, Focus, & Organization	Evidence and Elaboration	Conventions of Standard English
<p data-bbox="894 629 1340 696">Up to 4 Points</p> <p data-bbox="894 761 1378 1172">The response is focused and has a clear controlling idea and effective Organizational structure creating coherence and completeness.</p>	<p data-bbox="1429 629 1875 696">Up to 4 Points</p> <p data-bbox="1429 761 1921 1172">The response provides thorough and convincing support, citing evidence for the main idea that includes effective use of sources, facts, and details.</p>	<p data-bbox="1961 629 2407 696">Up to 2 Points</p> <p data-bbox="1961 761 2430 958">The response demonstrates an adequate command of basic conventions.</p>

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Writing

Questions?



Thank you!