

Fall Standards Based Assessments

2015

The testing window for the fall administration of the Fairfield Public School District math and language arts screening tools has begun. The assessments are administered three times a year (fall, winter, spring) as part of the District's Scientific Research-Based Intervention (SRBI) plan. These assessments are adaptive, so they will adjust questions to find students' strengths, and will also provide teachers with additional feedback on student performance.

The mathematics assessment, i-Ready, will take place during the weeks of September 21 – October 2, 2015. All students in Grades 1-5 will be taking this test during this time period. Kindergarten students will be taking it in the winter and spring. i-Ready assesses students across four domains: **Algebra and Algebraic Thinking, Measurement and Data, Number and Operations, and Geometry. (Kindergarten focuses on foundational skills.)** The assessment provides data on what individual students know, what they did not demonstrate, and what they are ready to learn.

The STAR reading assessment will take place during the weeks of September 28, 2015 - October 9, 2015. All students in grades 3-5 will be taking this assessment. Grades K-2 will be added next year. This assessment provides valid, reliable and actionable data related to reading. This is the first year the District is utilizing this assessment at the elementary school level. The STAR assessment will take about 30 minutes for each administration.

These assessments are used to inform instruction and assist the district in monitoring the effectiveness of our curricula in reading and mathematics. The scores for your children will be posted on Infinite Campus in the form of percentile rank. These assessments are normed nationally and are only one tool we utilize to improve and inform instruction. These assessments are not used to determine grades on the Fairfield Public School District progress reports.