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**ACTION BY:**  
**For Information**  
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**TO:** All Elementary School Principals and Department Heads  
**FROM:** Judith Klinek, Chief Academic Officer *JK*  
**SUBJECT:** **ELEMENTARY FALL DIAGNOSTIC TEST REPORTS TIMELINE –**

In order to keep schools informed, the Departments of Research, Evaluation, and Assessment and Educational Data Warehouse (EDW) have developed the following information regarding the delivery of Roster reports (hard copies) and the availability of EDW reports containing the grades 3-6 results for the Fall Diagnostics.

To assist in utilizing the information, please note the following:

- Hard copies of the Roster reports will be delivered to schools by pony. Schools that wish to pick up their Roster reports must notify Vanessa Ferrell by email at [vanessa.ferrell@palmbeachschools.org](mailto:vanessa.ferrell@palmbeachschools.org) by 12:00 noon on September 12, 2011. These schools may pick up their reports at the Test Distribution Center (TDC) on September 12, 2011 between 1:00 - 4:30 p.m. or on September 13, 2011 between 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
- Elementary Schools have the option of administering the **grade 6 math and science** paper-based tests during either the Elementary diagnostic testing window (8/29-9/2) or the Secondary diagnostic testing window (9/16-9/27). The **grade 6 reading test** is administered through CORE K12 during the Secondary diagnostic testing window (9/16-9/27).
- CORE K12 results are available for diagnostic tests immediately upon completion for teachers and administrators only. Students and parents do not have access to reports during the diagnostic testing window.
- The table has been grouped by the grade levels of test administrations.

**ELEMENTARY FALL DIAGNOSTIC TEST REPORT TIMELINE**

Dates	Items	Grade Level(s)	Subject Areas
9/12/2011	EDW Interactive Reading, Mathematics, and Science Diagnostic Roster Reports (Summary and Detail Level reports)	Grades 3-5	Reading, Mathematics & Science
9/13/2011-9/14/2011	*School and Class Diagnostic Test Roster Report(s) delivered by pony	Grades 3-5	Reading, Mathematics & Science

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9/14/2011	EDW Reading, Mathematics, and Science Diagnostic Student Listings	Grades 3-5	Reading, Mathematics & Science
9/14/2011	EDW Monitoring Progress Toward A+ and AYP Goals reports	Grades 3-5	Reading, Mathematics & Science
9/14/2011	EDW School Improvement Planning – Differentiated Accountability report	Grades 3-5	Reading, Mathematics & Science
9/14/2011	EDW Reading, Mathematics, and Science Diagnostic Diamond Reports	Grades 3-5	Reading, Mathematics & Science
9/19/2011	EDW Reading, Mathematics, Science, and Participation Graphs	Grades 3-5	Reading, Mathematics & Science Participation – All Tested Grades
<b>RESULTS FOR GRADE 6</b>			
9/12/2011	EDW Interactive Mathematics and Science Diagnostic Roster Reports (Summary and Detail Level reports)	Grade 6	Mathematics & Science (if tested during the Elementary window)
9/13/2011-9/14/2011	**School and Class Diagnostic Test Roster Report(s) delivered by pony	Grade 6	Mathematics & Science (if tested during the Elementary window)
10/10/2011	EDW Interactive Reading, Mathematics and Science Diagnostic Roster Reports (Summary and Detail Level reports)	Grade 6	Reading Mathematics & Science (if tested during the Secondary window)
10/10/2011	EDW Diagnostic Diamond Report	Grade 6	Reading, Mathematics & Science
10/11/2011-10/12/2011	**School and Class Diagnostic Test Roster Reports delivered by pony	Grade 6	Reading Mathematics & Science (if tested during the Secondary window)
10/12/2011	EDW Reading, Mathematics, and Science Diagnostic Student Listings	Grade 6	Reading, Mathematics & Science
10/12/2011	EDW Monitoring Progress Toward A+ Goals EDW Monitoring Progress Toward AYP Goals	Grade 6	Reading, Mathematics & Science Reading and Mathematics
10/12/2011	EDW School Improvement Planning – Differentiated Accountability report	Grade 6	Reading, Mathematics & Science
10/17/2011	EDW Reading, Mathematics, Science, and Participation Graphs	Grade 6	Reading, Mathematics & Science Participation

\* District percent correct is included on the School and Class reports.

\*\* District percent correct will be available on the EDW Interactive Reading, Math, and Science Diagnostic Roster Reports (Summary and Detail Level reports) on 10/10/2011.

Recent research has shown that scores for the FCAT reporting categories for the Sunshine State Standards and Next Generation Sunshine State Standards do not provide sufficiently reliable or valid information about a student's, classroom's, or school's curriculum strengths and weaknesses; and, do not provide enough information to help teachers guide instruction. As a result, the District Diagnostic Assessment Reports do not contain information by FCAT reporting categories. The reports, however, do contain the results of a student's, classroom's and school's tested benchmarks and related focus for each item.

With the District Diagnostic Assessment Reports, teachers will have a better understanding of what each item is designed to assess. Thus, Diagnostic item results, along with other formative assessment results, will help teachers and schools guide their instruction because they will have a better understanding of the degree to which their students have mastered the benchmarks.

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