

Electronic Practice Assessment Tool (ePAT)

WHAT ARE EPATS?

Electronic Practice Assessment Tools (ePATs) allow Florida students and staff to experience the TestNav and TestHear testing platforms prior to the actual administration of Florida's FCAT 2.0 and End-of-Course computer-based assessments.

Each ePAT will familiarize students and staff with the format, item types, and computer-based tools of the computer-based FCAT 2.0 and End-of-Course (EOC) assessments (see table below).

Comparisons of FCAT 2.0 and End-of Course Assessment and ePAT

	FCAT/FCAT 2.0 & EOC	ePAT
Number of items	40+	8-10
Location of passage	Above question	Above question
Timed	Y	N
Highlighter	Y	Y
Notepad	Y	Y
Mark questions for review	Y	Y
Strikethrough answer choices	Y	Y

However, it is important to note that the content of the ePAT will NOT accurately reflect

- the level of difficulty of items on the computer-based FCAT 2.0 and End-of-Course assessments, and
- how a student will perform on the computer-based FCAT 2.0 and End-of-Course assessments.

TestNAV ePat

TestNav ePats are non-accommodate practice tests designed to familiarize students to the format of and tools in TestNav 6.9. The ePat includes a highlighter, a response eliminator, an eraser, a straight edge, a four function calculator, the reference sheets and instructions. By using these tools, students will be able to make better use of the paper and pencil test-taking strategies to which they have become accustomed. Since students are not permitted to take any personal tools or materials into the FLDOE CBT testing environment, they need to be able to use the electronic tools provided within TestNav 6.9.

Test HEAR ePat

TestHear ePats are accommodated practice tests designed to provide an opportunity for students to familiarize themselves with the various accommodations available in the TestHear platform. These practice tests are available for students who require accommodated CBT forms (e.g., large print font, color contrast, zoom, screen reader). Students will be able to practice using forms with large print, variable color/contrast, variable font/background color, zoom, and screen reader (mathematics tests only).

Scripts are provided for both TestNav and TestHEAR epats at:

http://www.palmbeachschools.org/assessment/tc_page_fcat_spring.asp

WHAT ePATs ARE AVAILABLE TO SCHOOLS?

FCAT

- FCAT Reading and Mathematics Retake Practice Tests

FCAT 2.0

- FCAT 2.0 Grade 6 Reading Practice Test (**NEW**)
- FCAT 2.0 Grade 10 Reading Practice Test (**NEW**)
- FCAT 2.0 Reading Retake Practice Test

End-of-Course

- Algebra 1 EOC Practice Test
- Biology 1 EOC Practice Test
- Geometry EOC Practice Test
- US History EOC Practice Test

WHERE ARE THE ePATs?

- The ePats software are available for deployment to all computers from the school Altiris Console
- The jobs are found under 05-Special Applications
- STST's may deploy to all test computers

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