

## Student EOC Requirements

### Cohort(s)

### Requirement/Examination Weight

#### Algebra I EOC

2010-2011 EOC available for the first time at the end of second semester in 2010-2011	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Students entering grade 9 and enrolled in Algebra or an equivalent course</li> <li>• Students entering grade 9 and previously earned high school credit in Algebra 1 or an equivalent course during the 2007-2008 through the 2009-2010 school years and who have not taken the Grade 10 FCAT Mathematics test</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Algebra I EOC 30% of student's final grade</li> <li>• EOC is not part of Algebra 1 grade or required for Algebra 1 credit</li> </ul>
--	--	---

2011-2012  
 EOC available at the end of each semester

- Students entering grade 9 and future high school students
- Middle grade students enrolled in Algebra 1
- Must Pass Algebra I EOC to earn credit
- Must Pass Algebra I EOC to earn high school credit

#### Geometry EOC

2011-2012 EOC available for the first time at the end of second semester in 2011-2012	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Students entering grade 9 and enrolled in Geometry or an equivalent course</li> <li>• Middle grade students enrolled in Geometry</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Geometry EOC 30% of student's final grade</li> <li>• EOC is not part of Geometry grade or required for Geometry credit</li> </ul>
--	--	--

2012-2013  
 EOC available at the end of each semester

- Students entering grade 9 and future high school students
- Middle grade students enrolled in Geometry
- Must Pass Geometry EOC to earn credit
- Must Pass Geometry EOC to earn high school credit

#### Biology EOC

2011-2012 EOC available for the first time at the end of second semester in 2011-2012	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Students entering grade 9 and enrolled in Biology or an equivalent course</li> <li>• Middle grade students enrolled in Biology</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Biology EOC 30% of student's final grade</li> <li>• EOC is not part of Biology grade or required for Biology credit</li> </ul>
--	--	---

2012-2013  
 EOC available at the end of each semester

- Students entering grade 9 and future high school students
- Middle grade students enrolled in high school Biology
- Must Pass Biology EOC to earn credit
- Must Pass Biology EOC to earn credit high school credit

**Senate Bill 4: 7-year Timeline for Implementation  
Requirements for Ninth Grade Cohorts**

2010-2011	2011-2012	2012-2013	2013-2014	2014-2015	2015-2016	2016-2017
Algebra I EOC as 30% of student grade	Algebra I EOC for credit		Algebra I EOC as 30% of student grade	Algebra I EOC for credit	Algebra I EOC for credit	Algebra I EOC for credit
Geometry credit for graduation (currently 93% graduate with credit)	Geometry EOC as 30% of student grade	Geometry EOC for credit	Geometry credit for graduation	Geometry EOC as 30% of student grade	Geometry EOC for credit	Geometry EOC for credit
	Biology credit for graduation and EOC as 30% of student grade (currently 95% graduate with credit)	Biology EOC for credit		Biology credit for graduation and EOC as 30% of student grade	Biology EOC for credit	Biology EOC for credit
		Algebra II credit for graduation (currently 82% graduate with credit)			Algebra II credit for graduation	Algebra II credit for graduation
			Chemistry or Physics (currently 74% graduate with credit) and equally rigorous course credit to graduate			Chemistry or Physics and equally rigorous course credit to graduate
<b>Deletes Major Area of Interest requirement</b>				1 EOC to graduate (Algebra) [EOC passing requirement may be waived for ESE students]	3 EOCs to graduate (Algebra, Biology, Geometry) [EOC passing requirement may be waived for ESE students]	3 EOCs to graduate (Algebra, Biology, Geometry) [EOC passing requirement may be waived for ESE students]

Key = **Black text is year of initiation of the requirement for incoming 9<sup>th</sup> grade students**  
**Red text is first year graduates must meet requirement to earn a standard diploma**

Credit Acceleration Program (CAP) – The school district shall permit a student who is not enrolled in or has not completed the related course to take the standardized EOC during the regular administrations of the assessments.

Beginning with 2011-2012 each high school shall offer an IB program, AICE program, or a combination of at least four courses in dual enrollment of AP, including one course each in English, mathematics, science, and social studies

OPPAGA shall conduct a study on different types of high school diplomas offered in other states and provide information regarding differentiated high school diploma options and endorsements that other states offer including:

- Criteria for awarding diplomas or endorsements
- Difference in courses required for college and career pathways
- Advantages and disadvantages of offering a range of diploma options
- Any barriers associated with implementation of differentiated diplomas

## Summary of High School Accountability Assessments and High School Graduation Requirements

The statewide assessment program will be changing over the next several years to phase in new assessments aligned to Florida’s new expectations for student learning, known as the Next Generation Sunshine State Standards. These new assessments will be named FCAT 2.0 and Florida End-of-Course (EOC) Assessments. FCAT 2.0 will measure student achievement in reading (grades 3-10), mathematics (grades 3-8), and science (grades 5, 8), and the design of the assessments will be similar to the current FCAT. The Florida EOC Assessments will be very different from the FCAT—students will participate in these assessments **on the computer** at the conclusion of specific high school courses. The following information is provided to summarize the implementation schedule and how these requirements will likely impact students and school accountability calculations.

High School Statewide Assessments Used in High School Accountability Calculations					
	2009-10	2010-11	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14
<b>School Grades Calculations</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Gr. 9/Gr. 10 FCAT Reading</li> <li>• Gr. 9/Gr. 10 FCAT Math</li> <li>• Gr. 10 FCAT Writing</li> <li>• Gr. 11 FCAT Science</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Gr. 9/Gr. 10 FCAT 2.0 Reading (Scores Linked to FCAT)</li> <li>• Gr. 10 FCAT Math</li> <li>• Gr. 10 FCAT Writing</li> <li>• Gr. 11 FCAT Science</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Gr. 9/Gr. 10 FCAT 2.0 Reading</li> <li>• Gr. 10 FCAT Writing</li> <li>• <b>Algebra 1 EOC</b></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Gr. 9/Gr. 10 FCAT 2.0 Reading</li> <li>• Gr. 10 FCAT Writing</li> <li>• <b>Algebra 1 EOC</b></li> <li>• <b>Geometry EOC</b></li> <li>• <b>Biology EOC</b></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Gr. 9/Gr. 10 FCAT 2.0 Reading</li> <li>• Gr. 10 FCAT Writing</li> <li>• <b>Algebra 1 EOC</b></li> <li>• <b>Geometry EOC</b></li> <li>• <b>Biology EOC</b></li> <li>• <b>US History EOC</b></li> </ul>
<b>Adequate Yearly Progress</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Gr. 9/Gr. 10 FCAT Reading</li> <li>• Gr. 9/Gr. 10 FCAT Math</li> <li>• Gr. 10 FCAT Writing</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Gr. 9/Gr. 10 FCAT 2.0 Reading (Scores Linked to FCAT)</li> <li>• Gr. 10 FCAT Math</li> <li>• Gr. 10 FCAT Writing</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Gr. 9/Gr. 10 FCAT 2.0 Reading</li> <li>• <b>Algebra 1 EOC<sup>o</sup></b></li> <li>• Gr. 10 FCAT Writing</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Gr. 9/Gr. 10 FCAT 2.0 Reading</li> <li>• <b>Algebra 1 EOC<sup>o</sup></b></li> <li>• Gr. 10 FCAT Writing</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Gr. 9/Gr. 10 FCAT 2.0 Reading</li> <li>• <b>Algebra 1 EOC<sup>o</sup></b></li> <li>• Gr. 10 FCAT Writing</li> </ul>

High School Graduation Requirements by 9 <sup>th</sup> Grade Year of Entry					
9 <sup>th</sup> grader in...	2009-10	2010-11	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14
<b>Graduation Requirements</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Gr. 10 FCAT 2.0 Reading: 300 (FCAT Linked score)</li> <li>• <b>Gr. 10 FCAT Math: 300</b></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Gr. 10 FCAT 2.0 Reading: Level 3</li> <li>• <b>Algebra 1 EOC 30% of Course Grade*</b></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Gr. 10 FCAT 2.0 Reading: Level 3</li> <li>• <b>Algebra 1 EOC: Level 3</b></li> <li>• <b>Geometry EOC 30% of Course Grade*</b></li> <li>• <b>Biology EOC 30% of Course Grade*</b></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Gr. 10 FCAT 2.0 Reading: Level 3</li> <li>• <b>Algebra 1 EOC: Level 3</b></li> <li>• <b>Geometry EOC: Level 3</b></li> <li>• <b>Biology EOC: Level 3</b></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Gr. 10 FCAT 2.0 Reading: Level 3</li> <li>• <b>Algebra 1 EOC: Level 3</b></li> <li>• <b>Geometry EOC: Level 3</b></li> <li>• <b>Biology EOC: Level 3</b></li> </ul>

\*This requirement does not apply to students who complete the course prior to this year.

<sup>o</sup> The Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA) peer review guidance provides for middle school students’ scores in a high school course to be “banked” for use in determining the high school’s AYP. ESEA does not allow for middle school students’ scores in high school courses to be used in determining AYP for middle schools.

## Transition of Graduation Requirements for Entering Ninth-Graders of 2009, 2010, and 2011

- The current FCAT passing score for graduation is 300 for Reading and Mathematics. This score is in Achievement Level 2 (minimum achievement level 3 scores: Reading: 327; Mathematics: 315).
- The new assessments used for graduation will have passing scores set at the minimum score in Achievement Level 3 (proficient).

### Timeline for Setting Achievement Levels and Passing Scores for New Tests

Spring 2010	Fall 2010	Spring 2011	Fall 2011	Spring 2012
Field Test Reading 3-10 Mathematics 3-8 Algebra 1	Develop performance descriptors	Baseline 1 <sup>st</sup> administration; old achievement levels and new scale scores will be reported.	Set new achievement levels  State Board of Education approval required	Report student results with new achievement levels and passing scores

- Students must be notified of the graduation requirements when they enter high school.
- 2009-10 entering 9<sup>th</sup> graders were notified in September 2009 that they must achieve the following for graduation:
  - Reading: A score equivalent to 300 on Grade 10 FCAT 2.0 Reading
  - Mathematics: 300 on FCAT Mathematics Grade 10/Retake Test
- 2010-11 entering 9<sup>th</sup> graders must be notified in September 2010 of graduation requirements.
 

*Proposed:* Students must

  - Reading: score proficient on Grade 10 FCAT 2.0 Reading
  - Mathematics: Algebra I EOC as 30% of course grade
    - Students in grade 9 who completed Algebra I in middle school must participate in this assessment in May 2011 *only*. This is required for AYP.

### Proposed Graduation Requirements

*Italics indicate requirements have been established.*

Subject	Entering 9 <sup>th</sup> Graders	Tested Grade	Assessment	Score Required	Graduation Year
<b>Reading</b>	2009	10	FCAT 2.0	300 ( <i>linked score</i> )	2013
	2010	10	FCAT 2.0	Passing=Proficient <sup>1</sup>	2014
	2011	10	FCAT 2.0	Passing=Proficient <sup>1</sup>	2015
<b>Mathematics</b>	2009	10	FCAT	300	2013
	2010	Completion of Algebra I, or at the end of grade 9, if Algebra I completed prior to 2010-11	Algebra I EOC <sup>2</sup>	No score requirement; 30% of course grade if enrolled	2014
	2011	Completion of Alg I	Algebra I EOC <sup>2</sup>	Passing=Proficient <sup>1</sup>	2015

<sup>1</sup> Passing=Proficient standard to be set in fall 2011.

<sup>2</sup> Change to Algebra I EOC requires a change in statute.