Preparing for Administration

Where do we find the roster template?
The roster template can be found under the FLKRS/Star Early Literacy Rostering section on this page: [http://www.fldoe.org/accountability/assessments/k-12-student-assessment/flkrs/test-admin.stml].

Will the login and password still remain the same from last year?
The convention is the same. Passwords for teachers are reset and required to be changed each year.

How do we receive administrator login credentials?
The administrator login credentials will be provided through email by Renaissance after the rostering process is complete.

How do we access teacher login credentials?
Teacher usernames will be their 4-digit school code_firstname+lastname (e.g., 0123_amandapotts). This will also be their password for the first login. They will receive a prompt to change their password after they log in for the first time. Administrators can log in to access teacher usernames as well.

How do we enter students into the Renaissance system?
The rostering process establishes student access. Username and password information can be found in the Password Report.

When should we submit the rosters?
10 business days prior to testing.

When can we expect the email with administrator's username and password?
When the technical team completes the rostering process, the information will be sent to the administrator on file. This will be completed within 10 business days of submitting your roster.

Who should be tested?
The FLKRS assessment is for all students that have completed a Florida VPK program.

How do we know if a student attended a Florida VPK program?
We do not provide data for Florida VPK attendance. Parents/guardians must confirm student participation.

If students did not attend a VPK program, can we still test them?
No, the assessment should only be administered to students that attended a Florida VPK Program.
Do we test all kindergarten students even if they didn't attend our school VPK program?
Yes. If students attended a Florida VPK program they should participate in the FLKRS administration.

Are private schools required to administer FLKRS?
No, but if you would like your students to participate, it is ideal to administer at your school. Alternatively, parents may reach out to a local school district to arrange testing for a VPK completer. For more information, see Section 1002.69, Florida Statutes (F.S.).

Where do we get the student FLEID number?
This is an optional field. If you do not have FLEIDs issued by the Office of Early Learning, please leave the field blank. They will not be provided by the Department of Education or Renaissance.

Do we have 30 calendar days or school days?
The assessment should be administered within the first 30 school days of the year. This does not include weekends or holidays. If you need additional time to test this year beyond 30 days, please contact FLKRS@fldoe.org.

If a new student joins our school after we have submitted our roster, can we administer FLKRS?
You can send subsequent roster templates to Renaissance if new students register and need to be tested. However, all testing must be within the first 30 days of school and within the July 12–October 15 statewide screening window.

Can we administer FLKRS to students that transfer to our school after October 15?
No, you will not be able to test students after the statewide window is closed.

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What date are we expected to test by in Florida? Last year the testing deadline extended through December.
Schools must test within the first 30 school days that your school year begins. The statewide screening window for 2021 is July 12–October 15, 2021.

Student Experience

Can students test on iPads?
Yes, however, please consult the technical specifications document on the FLKRS webpage to make sure you have the most updated browser on your device.

How many students can be tested at any given time?
The number of students you can test at one time is only limited by the number of devices and staff monitors you have.

After the Assessment

What Standard Score should students be striving to achieve on FLKRS?
Kindergarten students must demonstrate a score of at least 500 on the Star Early Literacy assessment to be considered “ready for kindergarten.” The 500 scale score was determined as a part of the State Board rulemaking process. See Rule 6M-8.601, Florida Administrative Code (F.A.C.) for more information. For
Where do we find results of our school’s test?
The results will be available to you in the reports section of the Renaissance FLKRS website. Please refer to the recorded webinar for examples of how to run reports. Renaissance customer service will also be happy to assist with explaining how to find your scores. For questions regarding VPK readiness rates, please contact the OEL VPK Program at http://www.floridaearlylearning.com/vpk/vpk-contacts or https://vpk.fldoe.org/InfoPages/ContactUs.aspx.

If we test students who attended VPK at another school, will that impact our school’s score?
No, the Office of Early Learning matches student scores to the Florida VPK program the students attended.

Where can private schools access the overall rating achieved given by the FLDOE?
FDOE does not provided FLKRS specific summary data for private schools as it does for public schools. For questions regarding VPK readiness rates, please contact the OEL VPK Program at http://www.floridaearlylearning.com/vpk/vpk-contacts or https://vpk.fldoe.org/InfoPages/ContactUs.aspx.

If a student transfers schools after kindergarten, can the new 1st grade teacher see the student’s score?
Schools only have access to their own student scores in the Renaissance platform. A student’s scores may be transferred to a school in a cumulative folder.