

SCHOOL DISTRICT TASK FORCE EVALUATES TESTING

House Bill 7069 Offers Flexibility, Local Task Force Recommendations Translate into Action

Testing Concerns

- 1. Number of Exams
- 2. Impact on Instruction
- 3. Alignment to Instruction
- 4. Impact on Students
- 5. Communication

- Testing reduced at all grade levels with the most relief for our youngest students
- Priority to use the method of testing (computer-based or paper/pencil) that has the least loss of instructional time
- Middle and high school midterms and final exams limited to the final days of each semester
- Revised district final exams for improved alignment
- District required midterm and final exam will each weigh 5% for middle school courses, 10% for high school courses
- Required assessments have no impact on elementary grades
- Middle and high school students take only one midterm and one cumulative final exam for each yearlong course
- Parent information meetings offered at various locations throughout the district
- Posted testing calendar for each school clearly coded to indicate all state, district and school required assessments

"Our students continue to amaze me with their achievement at very high levels.

I appreciate your support as we take action to improve our assessment

process." Superintendent Joseph Joyner

For more information, please visit the following website:

http://www.stjohns.k12.fl.us/testing/