

HELPING PARENTS UNDERSTAND PARCC: The Partnership for Assessment of Readiness for College and Careers

“When Will I See My Child’s Scores?”

While FCPS has included high school scores with each student’s report card, we plan to send the reports for elementary and middle school students in mid- to late-December.

To Learn More

- ✓ [Parent Guide to Understanding the PARCC Score Report](#)
- ✓ [Short Video Tour for Understanding the PARCC Score Report](#)

“What Do PARCC Scores Tell Us?”

The PARCC assessment provides the most detailed snapshot we’ve ever had of what students learned in key subjects. The results show us that FCPS students outpace their peers statewide. They show us who needs additional instruction and support, who is ready to move ahead in the subject area, and who is on track to graduate ready for higher education or the work force. Remember: This is only *one* measure of how your child is performing. Behavior, attendance, attitude, study habits, classroom work, and teacher observation also contribute to the bigger picture.

“How Is Test Information Used?”

The results will help teachers tailor their instruction in ways that better support each student’s academic needs and opportunities for growth. Results will also inform educators about how best to meet the needs of all students, including those who receive services such as English language acquisition, gifted and talented programming, and special and related education services.

“How Can I Help My Child?”

Meet with your child’s classroom teachers or counselor to discuss the results and determine the best approach, and ask for resources to help your child move forward.

To Learn More

- ✓ Visit www.fcps.org/parcc
- ✓ Explore resources on the Maryland State Department of Education site at <http://marylandpublicschools.org/MSDE/programs/parcc/index.html>
- ✓ Browse the parent resources produced by PARCC, Inc. at www.UnderstandTheScore.org