

Florida Assessments for Instruction in Reading District Readiness Certification

It will be the responsibility of the district to develop an implementation plan for Florida Assessments for Instruction in Reading (FAIR). The plan should include the following components

- district team for implementation of FAIR;
- sufficient student to computer ratio for schools;
- awareness training for principals, educators, and technology coordinators;
- testing window for the implementation of FAIR;
- technology coordinator support for schools during the testing window;
- district technology support to allocate bandwidth during the testing window through a caching server; and
- school readiness form (*FAIR_Certification.xls*).

Suggested 3-12 Computer Specifications

	Minimum	Recommended
Workstations	<p>Windows Desktop, Laptop, and/or Tablet Computers: Pentium II or III 450 MHz - 1GHz or faster processor 512MB RAM 1024 x 768 Screen Resolution Full size keyboard Mouse/Pointing Device</p> <p>Apple/Macintosh Desktop and/or Laptop Computers: PowerPC ® G3 500MHz or faster processor Intel Core Duo 1.33 GHz 128 MB RAM 1024 x 768 Screen Resolution Full size keyboard Mouse/Pointing Device</p>	<p>Windows Desktop, Laptop, and/or Tablet Computers: Pentium IV 1.3 GHz or faster processor 1 GB Ram 1024 x 768 Screen Resolution Full size keyboard Mouse/Pointing Device</p> <p>Apple/Macintosh Desktop and/or Laptop Computers: G4 or G5 1GHz or faster processor 1 GB Ram 500 MB Available Disk Space 1024 x 768 Screen Resolution Full size keyboard Mouse/Pointing Device</p>

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Operating Systems	<p>Windows: Windows XP Pro</p> <p>Apple/Macintosh: Mac OS X 10.4</p>	<p>Windows: Vista</p> <p>Apple/Macintosh: Mac OS X 10.5</p>
Browsers	<p>Windows Internet Explorer 6.0 or higher Firefox 1.5 or higher</p> <p>Apple Firefox 1.5 or higher is recommended Safari version to be determined upon further testing Flash Player v9 or v10 JavaScript and Cookies enabled</p>	<p>Windows Internet Explorer 6.0 or higher Firefox 2.0 or higher</p> <p>Apple Firefox 2.0 or higher is recommended Safari version to be determined upon further testing Flash Player v9 or v10 JavaScript and Cookies enabled</p>
Network Connectivity	<p>1.54 Mb/s 6 Kb/s per workstation</p>	

Additional items:

- Recommended a 4:1 student computer ratio.
- Recommended maximum 25 laptops per 1 access point or a hub Ethernet.
- Recommended proxy or caching server at the school or district level.
- Sufficient laptop batteries and power for computers.
- Students must have headphones and a mouse to take the 3-12 Assessments.
- It is suggested that student workstations have caching enabled across all profiles, so that the audio and Flash files do not need to download each time.