

Leadership Policy Advisory Committee for Assessment and Accountability

Purpose: To advise the Commissioner on strengthening the quality and rigor of Florida's assessment and accountability system.

The committee members will review existing and proposed assessment and accountability practices and policies. They will provide recommendations on policies to the Department for further consideration by Florida's Technical Advisory Committee¹ and the Assessment and Accountability Advisory Committee². The relevant short- and long-term issues are:

- Maintaining the continuity of the accountability system during transitional year to FCAT 2.0 (2010-11 School Year)
- Measuring learning gains on FCAT 2.0 and End-of-Course assessments in a rigorous, accurate, and reasonable manner including consideration of equating practices(2011-12 School Year and beyond)
- Ensuring the alignment of standards and expectations for FCAT 2.0 across grade levels (2011-12 School Year and beyond).

First Meeting: Wednesday, September 29, 2010; Jacksonville

Membership: Thirteen school district superintendents representing a variety of school districts in Florida.

Alachua:	Dan Boyd	Okaloosa:	Alexis Tibbetts
Miami-Dade:	Alberto Carvalho	Pasco:	Heather Fiorentino
Duval:	Ed Pratt-Dannals	Pinellas:	Julie Janssen
Highlands:	Wally Cox	Seminole:	Bill Vogel
Hillsborough:	MaryEllen Elia	St. Johns:	Joe Joyner
Lee:	Jim Browder	Volusia:	Peg Smith
Monroe:	Joe Burke		

¹***Technical Advisory Committee:*** This is a standing committee of professionals with expertise in psychometrics. Members include Florida district assessment coordinators and representatives of universities and state agencies outside of Florida. Committee members assist the Department by reviewing technical decisions and documents and by providing advice regarding the approaches the Department should use to analyze and report state assessment data. This committee meets twice a year.

²***Accountability Advisory Committee:*** This is a standing committee of Florida educators and school district personnel. They advise the Department about K-12 assessment and accountability policies. Their recommendations may relate to standards for state assessment Achievement Levels, school grading policies, and alternative assessments. This committee meets at least once a year.