

Florida Assessments for Instruction in Reading: Technical Specifications 2010-2011

In order to provide a consistent experience to students, the Florida Assessments for Instruction in Reading (FAIR) should only be run on those computers who meet the specifications listed below. The computers will need to meet these specifications to successfully run the 3-12 Web-based Assessment Module (WAM), K-2 Electronic Scoring Tool (EST) and K-2 AIR.

For an automated check of your computer's specifications, please visit:

<https://flassessments.fcrr.org/check.html>

| | Windows | Apple/Macintosh |
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| Workstations | Recommended: Pentium IV 1.3 GHz or faster processor 1 GB RAM 1024x768 screen resolution Full size keyboard Mouse/pointing device | Recommended: G4 or G5 1 GHz or faster processor 1 GB RAM 1024x768 screen resolution Full size keyboard Mouse/pointing device |
| Operating Systems | Windows | Apple/Macintosh |
| | Recommended: Windows XP Pro (Service Pack 3) | Recommended: MAC OS X 10.6 |
| | Windows | Apple/Macintosh |
| Browsers | Recommended: Internet Explorer 7.0 or higher Firefox 3.0 or higher Flash Player v10 JavaScript and Cookies enabled | Recommended: Safari 4.0 or higher Firefox 3.0 or higher Flash Player v10 JavaScript and Cookies enabled |
| Network Connectivity | 1.54 Mb/s 6 Kb/s per workstation | |

The FAIR applications may run successfully on technology that does not meet the recommended requirements. However, the PMRN Help Desk may not be able to provide support for these users.

Through further testing of the FAIR application during summer 2010, it has been determined that there are errors which occasionally occur when using caching servers with FAIR. Due to these issues we are recommending that districts discontinue the use of caching servers with FAIR.

Notes:

- Students need headphones in order to complete the assessments.
- If not connected to a power source, laptop batteries should be sufficiently charged.