



Reason Not Assessed

Dear Alternate Assessment Coordinator,

Please instruct your teachers to select ***Student Absent – Unable to Assess*** from the drop-down menu when choosing a ***Reason Not Assessed*** designation in the FSAA—Performance Task (FSAA—PT) Online System for students who **received virtual instruction** but will not participate in the assessment because their parent/guardian declined to bring them to school for in-person testing.

If additional assistance is needed for accessing or using the FSAA—PT Online System, please contact the FSAA Service Center by phone (866-239-2149) or by e-mail (FSAAServiceCenter@Cognia.org).

- Standard hours: Monday–Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. (ET)
- Extended hours (February 16–May 28, 2021): Monday–Friday from 7:00 a.m. to 8:30 p.m. (ET)

For any other policy-related questions, please contact Angela Nathaniel at Angela.Nathaniel@FLDOE.org.

Note: The Department was glad to see in USED’s February 22 letter the shared values for the role that assessments and accountability have in ensuring equity in opportunity for our students. The Department is currently reviewing the USED letter on waiver requests favorably and is inviting public comments on Florida’s draft waiver application, which is available at <http://www.fldoe.org/academics/essa.stml>. It is our goal to promote a full discussion and receive public feedback to continue the conversation. Public comments can be sent to ESSA@fldoe.org by March 31, 2021.