



Strategies to Help Prevent Student Test Anxiety





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Customer Service

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- Our students = Our customers
- Initial contact
- Importance
- Best Practices





- Communicate
- Train
- Materials
- Best Practices





Orientation & Intake



Welcoming Environment

- Signs
- Greeters
- Student Volunteers
- Translators
- Comfortable



Assessment Orientation

• Communicate the overall process



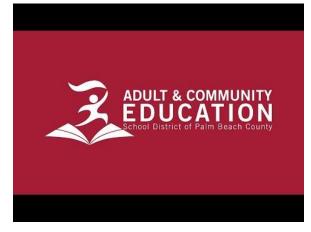
Intake

- Intake tools
- Smile
- Calm
- Discreet
- Follow the guidelines



CASAS Introduction Video

English



Spanish



Creole



Prepare Students

- Time and day?
- How long is it?
- What to (not) bring?
- What kind of questions?
- What subjects will be tested?
- Where to go?



CASAS Assessment Flyer

Assessment for ESOL Instruction



WHAT IS CASAS?

- An assessment to determine what levels of instruction you need in Reading and Listening skills in English.
- Not a pass/fail test
 WHAT TYPES OF
 QUESTIONS WILL BE
- ON THE TEST? • Multiple choice
- Oral questions, Reading and Listening questions
- HOW CAN I PREPARE?
- Bring photo ID
- Leave all phones, electronics, watches, and personal items outside of testing area.
- HOW LONG WILL IT TAKE?
- A maximum of 2 hours.

CASAS

¿QUÉ ES CASAS?

- Una evaluación para determinar el nivel de instrucción que usted necesita para la lectura y la audición en inglés.
- No es una prueba para aprobar / reprobar.
 ¿QUÉ TIPOS DE PREGUNTAS TENDRÁ EL EXAMEN?
- Selección múltiple.
- Preguntas orales, lectura y preguntas de audición.

¿CÓMO ME PUEDO PREPARAR PARA EL EXAMEN?

- Presente una identificación con foto.
- Deje su teléfono, reloj, electrónicos y objetos personales fuera del, área de examen.

¿CUÁNTO SE VA A DEMORAR?
 Un máximo de dos horas

KISA CASAS YE?

CASAS se yon tès ki la pou detèmine nan ki nivo ou ye nan zafè li ak konprann anglè. Tès sa se yon etid li ye. Sa vle di pagen pase oswa pa pase ladanl.

KUAN DE KESTYON YAP POZEW NAN TES CASAS?

Kestyon yo ap gen plizyè repons pouw chwazi youn nan yo. Ap gen kestyon a loral, kestyon pouw li epi yap pozew kestyon tou.

TOUT SAW DWE KONNEN LEU WAP VINN PRAN TES LA?

Vini ak foto idantitew. Telefòn ou, mont ou, zafè pèsonèl ou ak kinenpòt lòt aparèy electronic ou posede, ou pap gen dwa antre avèw yo nan kote wap pran tès la.

KOMBYEN TAN TES LA AP DIRE? Tès la dire pou pi plis 2 zèdetan

WHEN AND WHERE WILL I TAKE THE TEST?

Date

Arrive no later than _

Report to Room











"There cannot be a stressful crisis next week. My schedule is already full." —Henry Kissinger

Computer Lab - Before

- Safety protocols
- Equipment: Updated, Sanitized
- Check Sound
- eTests: Active sessions
- Registered stations
- Stations labeled for correct sessions
- Extra stations ready in case there are any issues during the test
- Envelope for students' belongings
- Clear desks



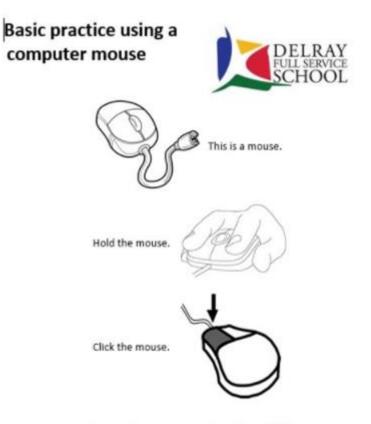
eTests Online Sessions

Site	Lab Name	Template Name	Session Name	
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PBCSD: West Boca Raton CHS		SDPBC	LAB:5-218 - Intake: Level A	
PBCSD: West Boca Raton CHS		SDPBC	LAB:5-218 - Intake: Locator + Pretest	
PBCSD: West Boca Raton CHS		SDPBC	LAB:5-218 - Practice	
PBCSD: West Boca Raton CHS		SDPBC	LAB:5-218 - Progress: Post-test	
PBCSD: West Boca Raton CHS		SDPBC	LAB:5-218 - Retest: Same day only	

Student List or Tickets

Date: _		
Studen	nt Number:	
Last Na	ame, FirstName:	
	Intake: Locator + Pretest Intake: Level A	
	Progress: Post-test Re-Test Reading Only Listening Only Both	

Technology Barriers



Practice moving and using the mouse. Go to this link and follow the instructions.

http://www.pbclibrary.org/mousing/mousercise.htm

- Be patient
- Free Basic Practice Tools Online
 - PBC Library: Mousercise

CASAS eTests Sampler

CASAS Portal		🌐 E	nglish (US) 🔻	🗗 Login
CASAS eTests Sample	f			
	Sample Test Items			
	Life and Work Reading			
	Reading GOALS Level A			
	Reading GOALS Level B			
	Reading GOALS Level C			
	Reading GOALS Level D			
	Math GOALS			
	Life and Work Listening 980 Level A			
	Life and Work Listening 980 Level B			
	Life and Work Listening 980 Level C			

https://casasportal.org/eTest

Computer Lab - During

- Safety protocols
- Actively proctor
- Don't hover
- Minimize distractions
- Raise your hand and whisper



Computer Lab - After

- Communicate the next steps
- Congratulate strengths



Counseling

- Have data chats and set goals for areas to improve
- Discuss using strengths to improve weaker skills
- Teach test taking tips and tricks
- Formative assessment for practice



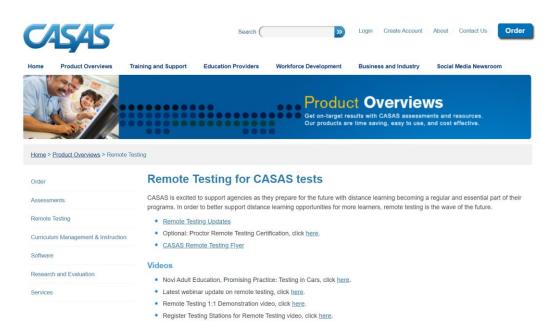
Post-Test

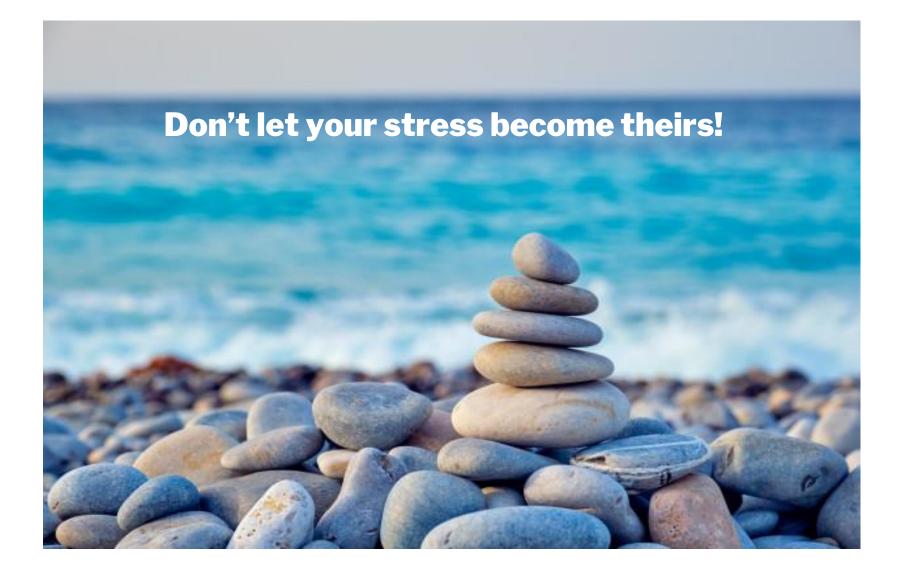
- 70 hours of instruction
- Prep
- Cheer
- Positive vibes



Remote Testing for CASAS Tests

- Remote Testing Checklist
- Technical Assistance and Support
- Support Videos
- Help Documents
- FAQs





Resources

- <u>https://www.startschoolnow.org/how-to-handle-test-anxiety-as-an-adult-student/</u>
- <u>https://www.testprepreview.com/test_anxiety.htm</u>
- <u>https://digitalcommons.brockport.edu/cgi/viewcontent.cgi?article=1422&c</u> ontext=ehd__theses
- <u>https://casasportal.org/eTests</u>
- <u>http://www.pbclibrary.org/mousing/mousercise.htm</u>
- <u>https://www.casas.org/product-overviews/remote-testing</u>

