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Dear Educators,

Please see the below information pertaining to PreACT Secure data and accessing and disseminating Individual Student Reports (ISRs).

Data and Reporting

PreACT Secure school and district summary reports, student level data files, and all student scores and ISRs will be final in ACT's Online reporting System (Success.ACT) on May 27. Reporting resources are listed below and can be found on the <u>Wisconsin PreACT Secure webpage</u>.

Resources:

- <u>PreACT Secure Technical Memo</u>: documents test blueprints, scores, and high-level content descriptions that help support appropriate interpretations of PreACT Secure scores.
- ACT's PreACT Secure Interpretive Guide for Students and Aggregated Reports: is designed to help understand and effectively use individual student score reports, data from roster reports, and summary reports of aggregated data.
- ACT's Online Reporting Guide: designed to help district and school personnel navigate through ACT's online reporting. Included are detailed steps from the initial setup, to accessing and customizing various reports.

Training:

PreACT Secure Online Reporting Webinar (recording)

Student ISRs

Schools should download and print Individual Student Reports (ISRs) and distribute them to students and families after May 27. When sending ISRs home, districts should make use of the resources created to help parents/guardians understand their child's PreACT Secure results. The Using Your PreACT Secure Results (guide for students) and Sample Cover Letter are listed below and located on the DPI PreACT Secure Data and Results webpage.

Resources:

Downloading Student ISRs:

 ACT's Online Reporting Guide: Student Scores (p. 123): provides step by step instructions on how to access and download student scores and ISRs.

For Students:

- <u>Using Your PreACT Secure Results:</u> guide for students and families to help understand PreACT Scores (English/Spanish)
- <u>Sample PreACT Secure Parent/Guardian ISR Cover Letter:</u> available in downloadable Word document (English, Spanish and Hmong)

Reminder:

Sharing Results from the Wisconsin Student Assessment System

DPI publicly releases summary test score data for the Wisconsin Student Assessment System (WSAS) in the fall. As such, DPI strongly recommends that districts coordinate their own public release with the DPI public release. After the secure release of results to districts and prior to the public release, DPI performs additional quality assurance, data validation, and data redaction when needed to protect student privacy.

Districts may share their summary assessment results with their school boards prior to the DPI public release. Districts may not publicly share personally identifiable information and therefore would be responsible to ensure shared results are redacted to comply with data security and student privacy requirements, as outlined in the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) and state law. More information about maintaining student data privacy is available on the Student Data Privacy webpage.

District summary data may be shared with district and school staff who understand the data security and student privacy requirements outlined in FERPA and state law. This allows district staff to use the data for professional development, continuous improvement efforts, and other planning purposes. Districts may share individual student reports with parents or guardians, teachers, school leaders, and others with a legitimate interest.

Districts should not share the statewide data reported in the vendor portals. This data has not yet been through DPI's quality assurance and validation process and is therefore subject to change. Final statewide results, which are used in accountability calculations, will be released in WISEdash in the fall.

Thank you for your contributions to a successful testing experience for all students.

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