Accountability

Please visit the [OEA website](#) for accountability information.

ACCESS for ELLs

Reminder:
Test Window and Post-Testing Timeline
The [ACCESS for ELLs calendar webpage](#) has the most up-to-date information about the ACCESS for ELLs test window and post-testing dates for materials return, reporting, and so on.

ACT with writing

Reminders:
Student Scores
Students will receive their ACT scores 3-8 weeks after testing. Scores will be mailed to students and will also be available in each student's MyACT account. Students who were unable to create a MyACT account or send their scores to at least one college, will receive an additional opportunity to send their scores to four colleges for free. ACT will include a voucher for sending scores to colleges along with the printed score report that is mailed to students. Instructions for using the voucher will be included with the score report.

Make-Up Testing
Paper Testing Only:
- Standard Administration: April 13, May 5
- Paper Accommodations: April 13-16, 19-23; May 5-7, 10-11
- Reference the [Schedule of Events](#) for deadlines on when to reorder testing materials.

Online Testing:
- April 13-15 and 20-22
- Order an [Online Testing Materials Return Kit](#)

Aspire

New:
Student Transfers
It is important that Test Coordinators review and approve student transfer requests promptly. Test Coordinators will be notified of any transfer requests via email and will receive a notification in the Aspire PAnext portal. Please follow the instructions on page 47 of the Aspire Test Coordinator Manual to process a transfer. As a reminder, do not approve transfer requests for students who have completed testing.

Reminder:
Aspire Test Window Open:
The Aspire testing window opened on April 5 and will run until May 19.

Tech Readiness
Technical Coordinators should review the Technical Readiness Guide and TestNav system requirements and run a mock administration prior to testing. All technical site readiness resources are found on the Wisconsin ACT Aspire webpage.

Test Sessions
Test Coordinators should be setting up test sessions and assigning students to those test sessions. Please see the Aspire Test Coordinator Manual for directions or view the training tutorials found on the Wisconsin ACT Aspire webpage under Preparation.

DLM

Reminder:
DLM Test Administration Monitoring
Please continue using the Test Administration Monitoring Extract to monitor DLM progress in your district. If you have any questions on how to use this extract, please contact Mike Peacy.

Field Tests and Teacher Surveys
Please continue to complete Field Test and Teacher surveys when possible. These are an important part of the testing process.

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Exam

New:
No Text-Dependent Analysis (long write) Session for the 2021 Administration
To reduce the workload on educators and students and reduce testing times in 2021, the Text Dependent Analysis (TDA) session has been removed from the Forward ELA Exam for one year. **Please ensure all staff are aware of this change.** It is important that ELA educators and Test Administrators know about this change prior to preparing for the exam. The TDA will be included in the 2022 Forward Exam.

Reminder:
Tips for Forward Testing
- Ensure device resolution is 1024 x 768 or better (see testing device requirements in the System Requirements) and that the zoom is 100% to allow test questions to render correctly.
- Have IT staff verify that "Allow App to Manage Power" is turned off (see Technology User Guide Volume III Step 20) to prevent Chromebooks from going to "sleep" during testing.)
- Accessibility features must be entered on an individual student basis or with the mass upload of common features (see DRC INSIGHT Portal Guide pg. 18-19). The Multiple Student Upload (MSU) cannot be used to upload accommodations and supports during the test window.
- All purge requests must go through DPI (see DRC INSIGHT Portal Guide pg. 33-35).
- If you plan to do the practice test with students immediately prior to the testing, DO NOT distribute test tickets until you are ready to begin the actual Forward Exam.
- Set-up and device readiness – (See also Preparing Virtual Student Devices for On-site Testing).
    - Verify the necessary URLs are allowed on firewalls and content filters.
    - Verify software updates and Operating System updates have been applied.
    - Verify the DRC INSIGHT software is installed on testing devices and is up to date.
    - If local firewalls are used on COS Service Devices and/or testing device, make sure they do not restrict testing traffic.
    - Verify the right test content is downloaded and current using COS Content Management.
    - Perform a system readiness check on student devices when they come on site and prior to testing.

Accessing Forward Exam Practice Tests on iPads
For students using iPads, the Online Tools Training (OTT) and Item Samplers should be accessed through the DRC INSIGHT App on the student's device or the public URL using a Safari browser.

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NAEP

New:

Results from the Second NAEP 2021 Monthly School Survey
The results from the March collection of February data were released today, April 7. See how Wisconsin schools compare to schools around the nation in instructional modes and attendance on the School Survey Dashboard, and look back to data from last month for comparisons.

Reminder:

Visit the NCES COVID-19 Updates page for information about the postponement of NAEP testing this year. MyNAEP is available for schools participating in the monthly school survey. Resources for participating schools can also be found on the NAEP Resources | Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction webpage. Please contact Angela Dugas with any questions.

Reading Readiness

Reminder:

Reading Readiness Reimbursement
The deadline for District Assessment Coordinators to submit their Reading Readiness reimbursement requests was scheduled for **April 2**. Any DACs who have yet to submit the form for their district are requested to do so as soon as possible. If you have not received the form or have questions, contact Duane Dorn.

Assessment and Accountability COVID-19 Related Updates

COVID-19 Updates

For assessment and accountability COVID-19 Updates please visit:

- COVID-19 – Accountability Updates and Resources
- COVID-19 – Assessment Updates and Resources
- COVID-19 Assessment FAQ

Important Dates to Remember

Be sure to refer to each specific assessment calendar for a complete list of key dates.

Month	Day and Event	Assessment
April	**13: ACT test window 3 begins**	**ACT**
	14-23: NAEP Monthly School Survey (new, extended window)	NAEP
May	**5: Final ACT make-up, paper only testing date**	**ACT**
	7: Last day to order paper materials for Aspire	**Aspire**
	14: Forward and DLM test window closes	**Forward/DLM**
	19: Aspire test window closes	**Aspire**
	21: ACCESS test window closes	**ACCESS**
	24-28: NAEP Monthly School Survey	NAEP
	28: All materials due back to DRC	ACCESS
June	11: Users Guide to Interpreting Results available	**Forward**

New Online Resource Highlights

As new resources are posted to our website, we will include them here for your convenience for a few weeks. This is NOT an exhaustive list but meant to highlight resources with significant relevance to our upcoming test windows.

Resource	Description	Assessment
ACCESS for ELLs Student Transfer Request form	If a student enrolls in your district, please fill out this form	ACCESS

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