



The DAC Digest

Assessment & Accountability Updates

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Accountability

New:

OEA Communications

Thank you for supporting assessment and accountability work in schools and districts. This is the last weekly DAC Digest of the 2022-23 school year. The DAC Digest will be sent to DACs once in June and July regarding assessment and accountability, including information on data and reporting availability, before resuming weekly mid-August. Please refer to the [May 3rd DAC Digest](#) for important reminders regarding sharing results from the Wisconsin Student Assessment System. We hope you enjoy your summer and look forward to working with you all again next year.

2022-23 Alternate Accountability

Every year, there are schools that lack sufficient data for DPI to calculate overall accountability scores. These schools participate in an Alternate Accountability process. This includes schools that are new, schools with fewer than 20 full academic year tested students, and schools with no tested grades.

The 2022-23 Alternate Accountability determination form is now available. OEA has sent this online form to principals of schools without tested grades, new schools, schools that have under 20 students enrolled in tested grades, and schools that tested fewer than 20 students in 2021-22. Schools that test fewer than 20 students in 2022-23 and that were not identified in this round will be sent a determination form in August.

As a reminder, Alternate Accountability is a district-supervised evaluation process. School Principals will be required to complete this form and obtain District Administrator approval on the locally determined accountability result by September 8. Please see the [OEA Alternate Accountability webpage](#) for more details. If you have any questions about Alternate Accountability, please contact us at reportcardhelp@dpi.wi.gov.

Assessment

Reminder:

DAC Contact Updates during the Summer and into the 2023-24 School Year

It is important to keep your District Assessment Coordinator (DAC) contact information up to date over the summer months and as staffing changes occur from 2022-23 to 2023-24. Communications from OEA

will be sent to DACs over the summer and into early fall regarding assessment and accountability, including information on data and reporting availability. You may need to assign an Interim DAC to ensure your district continues to receive updates while filling the DAC position for the 2023-24 school year. The DAC contact information is used to verify who should have DAC level access to reports in the vendor portals. Be sure to complete a [DAC Update form](#) if any changes are needed for the coming months.

The 2023-24 annual [District Assessment Coordinator \(DAC\) and Technology Coordinator \(DTC\) contact update forms](#) may be submitted beginning July 1. If submitting earlier than July 1 for the 2023-24 school year, please make note of the effective date on the update form. These forms are **required** for both new and returning DACs and DTCs, even if the information has not changed. The information provided is used to:

- Ensure DACs receive regular assessment and accountability updates, and
- Upload information into vendor portals to ensure DACs have annual permissions.

DAC and DTC Update forms must be signed by the District Administrator/Superintendent.

Districts should also remove permissions in the test vendor portals (or make inactive) from any individuals who are no longer employed by the district and adjust user roles to sync with staffing changes.

ACCESS for ELLs

Reminder:

ACCESS Final Data

Updated electronic reports will be available in the WIDA AMS on June 7.

ACT

Reminder:

Reporting

ACT school and district aggregated vendor data will be available June 5 in [ACT's Online Reporting System](#) (Success.ACT). Reference the [ACT Vendor Reporting Schedule](#) for a description of all available reports. Reporting resources can be found on the [Wisconsin ACT webpage](#) and the [DPI ACT Data and Results webpage](#). Please refer to the [May 3rd DAC Digest](#) for important reminders regarding sharing results from the Wisconsin Student Assessment System.



PreACT Secure

Reminder:

Reporting

PreACT Secure school and district summary reports, student level data files, and all student scores and Individualized Student Reports (ISRs) will be final in ACT's Online reporting System on May 27. Reporting resources can be found on the [Wisconsin PreACT Secure webpage](#) and the [DPI ACT Data and Results webpage](#).

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 located on the [DPI PreACT Secure Data and Results webpage](#).

DLM

New:

DLM Score Reports

The DLM Individual Student Reports (ISRs) and summary reports will be electronically available to districts in Educator Portal on **June 20**. Be sure to provide parents/guardians with ISRs as soon as possible after electronic receipt.

DLM Reporting Resources

Several DLM reporting resources are available on the [DLM Data and Results webpage](#). All parent/guardian resources are available in English, Spanish, and Hmong versions. Reporting resources include:

- Understanding Your Child's Individual Student Score Report Brochure
 - Sample ISR Cover Letter
 - Spanish or Hmong Translated ISR
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Forward Exam

New:

Alignment with new ELA and Mathematics Standards

The spring 2024 Forward Exam for English Language Arts (ELA) and Mathematics at grades 3-8 will be aligned to the new Wisconsin Standards for ELA (adopted in 2020) and Mathematics (adopted in 2021). Updated Forward Exam Practice Tests will be available in late fall on the [Forward Exam Practice Tests](#)



[webpage](#) to help students prepare. More information about the newly aligned assessments will be communicated over the next several months.

Reminder:**Summer 2023 New Item Review Participant Selection/Notification**

Educators who applied to participate in this summer's Forward Exam "New Item Review" should receive selection notification by the end of May via email. If selected, please review the information provided and submit the confirmation and registration information as soon as possible.

NAEP and International Assessments

Reminder:**NAEP 2024 Notification**

Notification to districts with schools selected for NAEP 2024 will be sent out in late May or early June, followed by notification to schools. NAEP 2024 will include reading and mathematics assessments at grades 4, 8, and 12 as well as science at grade 8. There will be a field trial in the fall of 2023 and regular assessments during the January-March 2024 test window. We also expect to have schools selected for international assessments including the Teaching and Learning International Survey (TALIS) and the Program for International Assessment (PISA); additional information will be provided on those as we learn more.

See the [NAEP webpage](#) for grade levels and content areas assessed, dates, additional information, and resources; and contact [Angela Dugas](#) with any questions.

Reading Readiness

Reminder:

See the [Assessment of Reading Readiness webpage](#) for calendar dates, information, and resources.

New Resources

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
2023 Forward Exam Additional Electronic ISR File Format Delivery Option Request Form	Districts may choose to request an additional electronic PDF format which would include separate PDFs for each student's ISR.	Forward
2023 Forward Exam Request to Decline Paper Individual Student Reports (ISRs) Form	Districts now have the option to decline the paper ISRs.	Forward

Important Dates to Remember

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

Date	Event	Program
May 27	PreACT Secure ISRs and data files final in ACT Online Reporting	PreACT Secure
May 31	Test windows close for TIMSS and ICILS International assessments	TIMSS, ICILS
May 31	Deadlines for districts to opt-out of receiving paper ISRs	Forward
May 31	Deadline for districts to request an additional electronic ISR file format delivery	Forward
End of May	Notification to districts with schools selected for NAEP 2024	NAEP
Early June	Notification to schools selected for NAEP 2024	NAEP
June 5	Contract reports and student data file final in ACT Online Reporting	ACT
June 7	Final ACCESS data available in DRC Insight Portal	ACCESS





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