

## The DAC Digest

Assessment & Accountability Updates

September 23, 2020

## **OEA Office Hours Webinar**

The slides for the first webinar of the 2020-21 school year are available on the <u>DAC Resources and Trainings webpage</u>. The video will be posted soon.

## 2019-20 Preview Reports: Updated Timeline

The <u>2019 Wisconsin Act 185</u> prohibits the release of school and district accountability report cards in the 2020-21 school year. There will be no 2019-20 report cards, but we are working towards securely releasing **accountability preview reports** to schools and districts via SAFE that will use prior year's data to demonstrate design and calculation changes (see the <u>May 27 DAC Digest</u> for more information on the preview reports).

OEA has two primary goals for the preview reports:

- 1. To provide a low-stakes place for school and district leaders to learn about and understand the changes to the reports; and
- 2. To have a larger scale feedback opportunity for those school and district leaders as well as others (families, community members) using sample reports.

In order to build enough time to achieve these goals, **OEA** is shifting the release of the preview reports to a January/February timeline, rather than the original October/November timeline. This adjusted timeline will give OEA and DPI enough time to implement the changes in technology required to release the preview reports and will allow school communities ample time to review and provide feedback on the reports without the interruption of Thanksgiving and December breaks.

We will continue to provide updated timeline information, including specific dates as we move forward in this work. Additionally, we will be continuing to meet with Accountability Trainers throughout the fall to prepare for the release in January/February.

If you have any questions in the meantime, please email us at OEAmail@dpi.wi.gov.



## **ACCESS for ELLs**

#### Reminder:

Non-public Pre-ID upload window runs September 28 through November 2.

## **ACT** with writing

## **Reminders:**

#### Resources

2020-21 Schedule of Events, administration manuals, additional training opportunities and resources will be available in October. Current available resources, including online testing resources and the 2021 ACT Calendar, can be found on <u>DPI ACT webpages</u>.

#### **ACT Spring Assessment Data**

The 2019-20 ACT Statewide (11th Grade) data is available in <u>WISEdash for Districts</u>. Please see the September 16 DAC Digest for more information.

## **ACT** Aspire

### Reminder:

#### Resources

2020-21 Schedule of Events, administration manuals, additional training opportunities and resources will be available in December. Current available resources and the 2021 ACT Calendar, can be found on DPI Aspire webpages.

## **DLM**

### Reminder:

A new and improved Data Extract tool has been created by DLM to help educators determine if students are ready to test. The new Data Extract combines the Student Roster and First Contact Survey Status Extract into one page and shows if a student is rostered and if their First Contact Survey is complete. The data extract can be found on <u>Educator Portal</u> under the Reports Tab. If you have any questions on anything DLM related please contact <u>Mike Peacy</u>.

- Moodle training is now available for all teachers.
- Please work on cleaning up users so only those who need access to student data have access.
- The Instruction and Assessment planner is now available.



## **Forward Exam**

#### New:

#### 2021 Access to DRC INSIGHT Portal.

OEA will be downloading the District Assessment Coordinator (DAC) list and sending it to DRC, on October 1. This list is used to provide DACs with permissions to the DRC INSIGHT Portal for the 2021 administration of the Forward Exam. To ensure correct permissions are applied, all <u>DAC Update forms</u> need to be submitted to OEA by September 30.

## **NAEP**

#### New:

Districts with schools selected for NAEP 2021 will 23be notified by email within the next week or so. The email will go to District Administrators with a copy to DACs. Principals will receive a notification email shortly after that from <u>Angela Dugas</u> with more detailed information about NAEP in their schools this year. These emails replace the hard-copy mailings that usually go out to districts and schools, since we know that many Administrators, DACs, and Principals are not working in their physical buildings at this time. Please watch for these emails and contact <u>Angela</u> with any questions.

## **Reading Readiness**

## **Reminders:**

2020-21 School Year

Districts will be required to assess for Reading Readiness all four-year-old kindergarten through second grade students at least once during the 2020-21 school year. More information about the requirements can be found at: <u>Assessment of Reading Readiness</u>.

## Annual DAC/DTC Update Forms

Annual <u>District Assessment Coordinator (DAC) and District Technology Coordinator (DTC) update forms</u>, are due September 30 to ensure access to vendor portals and email communication from OEA.

# Assessment Strategies to Inform Instruction 2020-2021 Update

<u>The Assessment Strategies to Inform Instruction in 2020-2021</u> resource has been revised with a new appendix of assessment related resources that have been approved by The Wisconsin Student Privacy Alliance.



Important Dates to Remember			
September	28: Private School Pre-ID Upload Window Opens	ACCESS	
	30: Annual DAC/DTC Update Form Due	N/A	

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		
Assessment Strategies to Inform Instruction in 2020-21	Provides considerations for district and school leaders to use in identifying initial student needs and monitoring ongoing student learning from an equity lens.	N/A		
Accessibility Guide	Provides information for classroom teachers, English development educators, special education teachers, and related services personnel as they select and administer universal tools, designated supports, and accommodations for those students who need them.	Forward		
Wisconsin Forward Exam Technology Requirements	Provides information about what is new and changing for the upcoming 2020-21 administration.	Forward		
EL Data in WISEdash	Guide to accessing EL data in WISEdash for Districts, including ACCESS results, SGPs, and the on-track-to-proficiency measure.	ACCESS		



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