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Greetings District Assessment Coordinators,

On Friday, March 20, Deputy State Superintendent Mike Thompson sent [an email](#) to district administrators with the following update about testing in light of the current COVID-19 pandemic:

### **Federal Testing and Accountability Requirements**

The United States Department of Education announced flexibility will be provided to all states regarding the assessment and accountability requirements under the Elementary and Secondary Education Act, also known as the Every Student Succeeds Act.

The Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction (DPI) will apply for a waiver from federal requirements to administer statewide assessments to all students, to make annual accountability determinations, and to identify schools for support and improvement, and to provide data on federal report cards for assessment and accountability information. The DPI continues to work with Governor Evers' office and legislature around the suspension of state testing and accountability requirements. We will send additional updates as we receive more information.

Please contact <mailto:osamail@dpi.wi.gov?subject=COVID-19> with questions.

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