



Assessment Update for Parental Choice Schools

November 19, 2024

WISCONSIN STATEWIDE ASSESSMENT SYSTEM UPDATES

Accountability

New:

Final Report Cards

Today, the final 2023-24 report cards were released. The [public versions](#) can be shared with parents, school board members, school governing bodies, and the community at large. More information about the 2023-24 report cards can be found in [DPI's news release](#).

The secure versions of the report cards in SAFE must always remain secure - even after the public release. They are un-redacted (and could contain personally identifiable student information) and are provided to districts to support internal continuous improvement planning. The secure report cards may only be shared with district employees, as appropriate.

Notification Requirements

All schools - private and public - are required to share their most recent school report card with parents, along with a list of educational options for the students in the district, and also link to that report card on their webpage. School boards need to post their complete school and district report cards and district-specific list of educational options on the district webpage. They also must publish a Class 1 notice that includes the most recent report card performance category rating assigned to each school within the district boundaries; a statement that the complete school and district report cards are available on the website; and a description of educational options available to students in the district. Further details can be found on the [notification requirements webpage](#). If you have questions about report cards, please [contact OEA](#).

Reminder:

Data for 2024-25 Accountability Being Captured December 10

The [WISEdata Student Snapshot](#) scheduled for **December 10** will capture data to be used throughout 2024-25 school and district report cards and ESSA and IDEA accountability systems. Please see pages 1-2 of the [November 7 Assessment Update](#) for more information and resources to help you prepare your data for this upcoming snapshot. If you have questions about the student data snapshot or how to resolve data issues, please submit a [WISE Help Ticket](#).

Assessment

Reminders:

Free Assessment Professional Development and Coaching Series - Spaces Still Open!

The Office of Educational Accountability and CESAs are offering a free Assessment Professional Development and Coaching Series on classroom assessment and data analysis, performance tasks, educator created interim assessment, and formative assessment practices. **CESAs are recruiting**

and looking for more districts to participate! Additional information is in the [November 6 DAC Digest](#) and the [Free Assessment Professional Learning and Coaching Series website](#). Please share this information with district leaders and contact [Lauren Zellmer](#) with questions.

ACT

Reminder:

Please visit the [ACT webpage](#) for information, resources and dates.

PreACT Secure

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Please visit the [PreACT Secure webpage](#) for PreACT Secure information, resources and dates.

Forward Exam

New:

Forward Exam Educator Involvement Opportunities

DPI is currently recruiting a diverse group of educators from all over Wisconsin (including English learner and special education teachers) to participate in two separate Forward Exam Educator Involvement Opportunities. These events are important steps in the development of the Forward Exam. This is a great opportunity to be a part of the Forward Exam development and have detailed input on the exam and take knowledge back to your district about the processes.

- **Alignment Study** - Participants will work alongside national subject-area experts to ensure the alignment of the 2024 Forward Exam for English Language Arts (ELA) and Mathematics to the Wisconsin Academic Standards using the Webb Alignment Model. The primary role of each participant is to review the items (questions) on the ELA and Mathematics exams and judge the depth-of-knowledge (DOK) level of each item and to identify the standard to which each item is aligned.
- **New Item Review** - Participants will review new ELA, mathematics, science, and social studies test questions created for the exam for content, grade level appropriateness, alignment to correct standard, cultural inclusivity, and bias/sensitivity issues prior to placement on the exam.

More information about each opportunity, including how to apply, is available on the [Forward Exam Educators Involvement webpage](#). Educators interested in one or more events need to submit only one application. There is a question in the application which asks the applicant to select the educator involvement opportunities they would like to participate in and may select all that apply. Please share this information with your educators.

Reminders:

2024-25 Technology User Guide

The *Forward Exam Technology User Guide* is now available on the [Forward Exam Technology Requirements webpage](#). The user guide is a multi-volume set that describes how to configure, install, manage, and troubleshoot the DRC INSIGHT System. There is also a handout titled *Updates to the Technology User Guide 2024-25* that describes the changes to the guide.

Technology System Requirements

DACs and DTCs should review the hardware and operating system requirements documentation for the 2024-25 administration to ensure student devices meet the minimum requirements for testing. Be sure to review the COS Service Device configurations and required bandwidth. Updated 2025 technology system requirements (updated in October) are available on the [Forward Exam Technology Requirements webpage](#).

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
DRC System Requirements	Hardware and software requirements for the Forward Exam. Updated in October.	Forward
Technology User Guide	The user guide is a multi-volume set that describes how to configure, install, manage, and troubleshoot the DRC INSIGHT System.	Forward

Important Dates to Remember

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

Date	Event	Program
November 19	2023-24 Report Cards Public Release	Report Cards
November 19	Test Administration #1 Training Webinar	ACT
November 21	DACs assigned permissions to access the 2024-25 DRC INSIGHT Portal	Forward
December 3	Office Hours - ACT Accommodations/EL Supports	ACT
December 4	Technology Training Videos available	Forward



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