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WISCONSIN STATEWIDE ASSESSMENT SYSTEM UPDATES

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 Assessment Update 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 <u>May 3rd</u> <u>Assessment Update</u> 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.

Assessment

Reminder:

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

Please keep District Assessment Coordinator (DAC) contact information up to date over the summer and as staffing changes occur in the next school year. You may need to assign an Interim DAC to ensure your district receives updates while filling the DAC position for the 2023-24 school year. DAC contact information is used to verify who should have DAC level access to reports in the vendor portals. Complete a <u>DAC Update form</u> if any changes are needed for the coming months.

The 2023-24 annual <u>District Assessment Coordinator (DAC) and Technology Coordinator (DTC)</u> <u>contact update forms</u> may be submitted beginning July 1. If submitting earlier than July 1 for the next 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.

ACT Reminder: Reporting

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

PreACT Secure

Reminders:

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 <u>Wisconsin PreACT Secure webpage</u> and the <u>DPI ACT</u> <u>Data and Results webpage</u>.

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 <u>DPI PreACT Secure Data and Results webpage</u>.

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.

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
<u>2023 Forward Exam Request to</u> Decline Paper Individual Student <u>Reports (ISRs) Form</u>	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	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
June 5	ACT school and district aggregated data available in ACT's Online Reporting System	ACT



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