

WISCONSIN STATEWIDE ASSESSMENT SYSTEM UPDATES

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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 [DPI ACT webpages](#).

ACT Aspire

Reminder:

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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](#).

Forward Exam

New:

2021 Access to DRC INSIGHT Portal.

OEA will be sending the list of assessment coordinators to DRC for loading into the INSIGHT Portal on October 1. This list is used to provide assessment coordinators with permissions to the INSIGHT Portal for the 2021 administration of the Forward Exam. To ensure correct permissions are applied, all update forms (see below) need to be submitted by September 30.

Annual Assessment Coordinator Update Form

Reminder:

Each Choice School is required to identify an assessment coordinator (DAC) who will be responsible for overseeing the assessment program for the school. The Update Form can be found at: [Assessment Coordinator Update Form](#). Your district number (required on the form) can be found at: [Private School Directory](#). Use your school number instead of the district number on the form. Also, use your school name on the District Name line and have your choice administrator sign the form. Completed forms can be submitted to duane.dorn@dpi.wi.gov.

The information provided is used to:

- ensure DACs are on the email lists which will provide them with regular assessment updates throughout the year.
- upload DAC information into vendor portals to ensure DACs have 2020-21 permissions.

Important note: DACs should remove permissions from and/or make inactive any individuals in vendor portals who are no longer employed by the school and adjust user roles to sync with recent staffing changes.

Assessment Strategies to Inform Instruction 2020-2021 Update

The [Assessment Strategies to Inform Instruction in 2020-2021](#) resource has been revised with a new appendix of assessment related resources that have been approved by The Wisconsin Student Privacy Alliance.

ACCOUNTABILITY UPDATES

2019-20 Preview Reports: Updated Timeline

The [2019 Wisconsin Act 185](#) 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.

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.



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