## **Assessment Update for Parental Choice Schools**



**September 27, 2023** 

# WISCONSIN STATEWIDE ASSESSMENT SYSTEM UPDATES

## **Accountability**

### New:

2022-23 Report Cards Preliminary Secure Release - October 3

Deputy State Superintendent John Johnson sent an <u>email to Choice Administrators</u> on Tuesday announcing that **next week**, **October 3**, **DPI will release the secure preliminary versions of the 2022-23 School and District Report Cards**. As in prior years, the preliminary report cards will be released via <u>SAFE</u>, the Secure Access File Exchange. Please make sure you have <u>access to SAFE</u> prior to the secure release.

As a secure report, they contain potentially identifiable student information, and have not been redacted. As such, and because the report cards are preliminary and subject to change, **the secure reports and any information on the preliminary report cards may not be shared** with your local media, parents, or members of the community.

The secure release opens the <u>report card inquiry period</u>, which will take place between October 3-16. This window is an opportunity for schools and districts to work with OEA to address possible data submission errors.

#### **Report Card Resources**

In preparation for next week's secure release, we have posted <u>report card resources</u> to guide your review of the preliminary report cards and assist with local report card interpretation and messaging. These three resources are particularly helpful to inform initial review as part of the inquiry period:

- What's New document, outlining the updates to the report cards;
- Secure Release Checklist, which can be used when reviewing preliminary report cards;
- Guide to Correctable Data document, outlining which accountability data may be corrected through opening an inquiry.

OEA will continue to update our resources page as we move towards the preliminary secure report card release, as well as the final secure and public releases planned for November. If you have questions about report cards, please <u>contact OEA</u>.

# **Assessment and Accountability**

### New:

### Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ)

The Office of Educational Accountability (OEA) is available to answer all assessment and accountability related questions as they arise. District and school staff may reach out to <u>assessment staff</u> or <u>accountability staff</u> via email or phone at (608) 267-1072. To reach individual assessment and accountability staff, please refer to the <u>OEA Staff Directory</u>. Each assessment also has an FAQ webpage with scenarios/issues related to that specific assessment:

- ACT FAQ
- Forward Exam FAQ
- PreACT Secure FAQ

## **ACT**

## Reminder:

#### 2024 PAnext Portal

The 2024 <u>ACT PearsonAccess<sup>Nect</sup> (PAnext) portal</u> will open on November 6. DACs will receive access to the portal, along with instructions on how to set up testing staff within PAnext and select an ACT testing date at that time.

# **PreACT Secure**

### Reminder:

Please visit the <u>PreACT Secure webpage</u> for information, resources, and dates.

## **Forward Exam**

### Reminder:

#### Forward Exam 2024 DAC Training

The Department of Public Instruction (DPI) and Data Recognition Corporation (DRC) invite District Assessment Coordinators (DACs) and up to three assessment staff members (e.g., School Assessment Coordinator, Assistant to DAC) to attend an **in-person training** event for the spring 2024 Forward Exam. Identical trainings will be held in different locations across the state November 6-10 and run from 9:00 am to noon each day. **An email with registration information was sent to all DACs on September 14.** Registration must be completed no later than **October 20**.

## **Important Dates to Remember**

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

Date	Event	Program
October 6	Deadline to submit required annual DAC and DTC Update Forms	All
October 20	Deadline to register for in-person DAC Training	Forward
November 6	PearsonAccess <sup>next</sup> (PAnext) opens for 2024	ACT



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