



# Assessment Update for Parental Choice Schools

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## WISCONSIN STATEWIDE ASSESSMENT SYSTEM UPDATES

### Back to School Greetings

Welcome to the 2022-23 school year! We look forward to providing you with assessment and accountability resources and support throughout the year. The Office of Educational Accountability website includes information, timelines, trainings, and resources related to assessment and accountability in Wisconsin. We also include the upcoming timelines and new resources at the bottom of the Assessment Update for your convenience.

Please email [duane.dorn@dpi.wi.gov](mailto:duane.dorn@dpi.wi.gov) with assessment related questions and [oeaemail@dpi.wi.gov](mailto:oeaemail@dpi.wi.gov) with accountability related questions.

### Assessment

#### Reminders:

##### Requirements for 2022-23 School year

For the 2022-23 school year, Parental Choice Schools will be required to administer to choice pupils the following assessments:

- [Wisconsin Forward Exam](#) for English Language Arts and Mathematics assessments in the spring of 2023 for grades 3-8.
- [Wisconsin Forward Exam](#) for Science in the spring of 2023 for grades 4 and 8.
- [Wisconsin Forward Exam](#) for Social Studies in the spring of 2023 for grades 4, 8 and 10.
- [PreACT Secure](#) in the spring of 2023 for 9th and 10th grade.
- [The ACT® with writing](#) in the spring of 2023 for 11th grade.

#### DAC Contact Information Updates

Please ensure District Assessment Coordinator (DAC) contact information is always current, especially as staffing changes occur.

The 2022-23 annual [District Assessment Coordinator \(DAC\) Update form](#) should be submitted at this time. This form is required for both new and returning DACs, 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 2022-23 permissions.

Schools should also remove permissions in the test vendor portals (or make inactive) from any individuals who are no longer employed by the schools and adjust user roles to sync with staffing changes.

## 2021-22 Assessment Data

DPI will publicly release the statewide assessment results in the fall. **Until this public release, DO NOT share your school's assessment results to the public.** Data security and student privacy requirements, as outlined in the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) and state law, must be maintained when results are shared publicly. More information about maintaining student data privacy is available on the [Student Data Privacy webpage](#).

## Accountability

### Reminders:

#### Report Card - Optional Narrative Statement - Form due September 9

Optional narrative statements for the report card are due on/before **September 9th**. For more information on the narrative statement and the submission process, please see the [Assessment Update from August 18](#). If you did not receive a link for the narrative statement submission, please email [reportcardhelp@dpi.wi.gov](mailto:reportcardhelp@dpi.wi.gov).

## ACT

### New:

#### ACT Test Accessibility and Accommodations Portal (TAA) Opening

Schools can begin to enter 2023 ACT accommodation and support requests into the ACT Test Accessibility and Accommodations (TAA) portal beginning September 12. Please see the [DPI ACT Accommodations and Supports webpage](#) for additional resources, including the ACT 2023 Accessibility Guide.

## ACT and PreACT Secure

### Reminder:

#### iPad Devices - 2023 Statewide Testing

ACT has recently announced the allowable use of iPad devices for spring 2023 statewide ACT and PreACT Secure testing. Districts interested in using iPads for online testing should review the specifications and limitations outlined in the *Apple iPad Devices: Spring 2023 Testing Announcement* posted to the [DPI ACT Technology Requirements webpage](#). Please note: *Technical Guides for online testing* for both the ACT and PreACT Secure will be available in late fall 2022. The updated technical guides will include specifications for iPad testing.

## Forward Exam

### Reminder:

See the [Forward Exam webpage](#) for calendar dates, information, and resources.

## 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
<a href="#">Apple iPad Devices: Spring 2023 Testing Announcement</a>	2023 iPad Testing Requirements for ACT and PreACT Secure.	ACT/PreACT Secure
<a href="#">2022-23 ACT Accessibility Supports Guide</a>	Guide to allowable accommodations and EL supports for the ACT.	ACT
<a href="#">Establishing Performance Levels on Statewide Assessments</a>	Describes how and when the achievement level standards were set for each assessment.	All
<a href="#">Standard Setting Process for Statewide Assessments</a>	Describes the standard setting process, including educator involvement in recommending cut scores.	All
<a href="#">The Link Between Academic Standards, Curriculum, and Assessment</a>	Explains the relationship between the state academic standards, local curriculum, and the Forward Exam.	Forward
<a href="#">Percentile Rank</a>	Discusses percentile ranks and how they differ from achievement levels.	Forward
<a href="#">Percentile Rank V.s Normal Curve Equivalent (NCE)</a>	Discusses percentile ranks and how they differ from NCE.	Forward
<a href="#">Raw Score Vs. Standard Performance Index (SPI)</a>	Explains the difference between Raw Score and SPI.	Forward
<a href="#">Standard Performance Index (SPI) Information</a>	Simple description of SPI.	Forward
<a href="#">Student Performance Levels</a>	Explains Student performance levels.	Forward

## Important Dates to Remember

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

Date	Event	Assessment
September 9	Deadline to submit school and district narrative statements for the report card; DACs received a link to coordinate submission	Report Cards
September 12	Test Accessibility and Accommodations System (TAA) opens	ACT



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