Student Assessment Listserv

Illinois Assessment Updates
April 23, 2015

SIS Webinar

A Student Information System (SIS) end of school year 2015 and planning for school year 2016 webinar will be held on **Thursday, May 7 at 1:30 p.m.** The PARCC corrections window will be discussed. To register, click [here](#).

ACCESS for ELLs 2.0 Upcoming Webinars

In preparation for transition to the electronic version of the ACCESS test, some online meetings for LEAs are being offered. No pre-registration is required.

- **April 24th - 2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. CST**

  *ACCESS for ELLs 2.0 Live Q & A Session*

  **Topics include:** Updated information about the transition to ACCESS for ELLs 2.0 and the new ordering process. There will be time to answer any questions during the second half of the WebEx.

  Link to WebEx: [https://wida.webex.com/wida/onstage/g.php?d=668275982&t=a](https://wida.webex.com/wida/onstage/g.php?d=668275982&t=a)

- **May 1st - 2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. CST**

  *Technology Coordinators Webinar*

  **Topics Include:** Steps Technology Coordinators will need to take prior to and the day testing begins in their state.

  **Audience:** LEA staff serving in the role of technology coordinator

  Link to WebEx: [https://wida.webex.com/wida/onstage/g.php?d=667053093&t=a](https://wida.webex.com/wida/onstage/g.php?d=667053093&t=a)

Upcoming Assessment Webinars

We have planned many upcoming webinar opportunities to provide support during testing. Every Friday (10 a.m.) for the next several weeks we will be holding our usual Illinois Assessment Update webinar. This will cover all Illinois state assessments (PARCC, DLM, ACT, etc.). For more information and to register for the next two, click [here](#) and [here](#). We have also scheduled recurring **PARCC Open Office Hours** (Tuesdays at 1:30 p.m.) where we will just be online to respond to questions, concerns, and feedback.
Placing Additional Orders for EOY Materials (PARCC)

It is important to ensure that additional orders for EOY materials are placed under the EOY administration of PearsonAccess Next. EOY orders placed under the PBA administration will not be processed.

Student Survey (PARCC Computer-Based)

For students testing on the computer, there is an optional student survey after the last EOY unit in both ELA and math. For more further guidance, please see the document entitled “Student Survey Guidance.”

Important Update for Chrome Web Browser Users (PARCC Computer-Based)

On April 17, 2015, a PARCC technology bulletin and a one page technology update bulletin were released. They can be found here under ISBE/PARCC Technology Updates. The PARCC Update Bulletin contains important information that is relevant to any school or district utilizing the Chrome web browser on testing devices or administrative devices. If you have any questions, please contact your Learning Technology Center.

Test Form Code Verification (PARCC Computer-Based)

If accommodations and/or accessibility features for a student were not initially identified and/or the district was not able to correct them during PBA, they will need to verify and correct accommodations and/or accessibility features in the EOY portion of PearsonAccess Next. The document entitled “Determining the Test Form Code for Accommodations” will help you verify this.

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

- Illinois Assessments Key Dates Calendar

PARCC

- PearsonAccess Next FAQ
- PARCC.pearson.com
- PARCC FAQ
- Math Reference Sheets
  - Grades 5-8
  - High School
- PARCC Manuals
- Scheduling PARCC Assessments
- Setting Up and Managing Test Sessions
- PARCC Text-to-Speech Functionality
- Test Administrator Scripts (Verbal Directions)
- PARCC Technology Resources

DLM

- http://dynamiclearningmaps.org/illinois
- Assessment Coordinator Manual
- Test Administration Manual
- Technical Liaison Manual
- Accessibility Manual
- Guide to Required Training
- Guide to Practice Activities and Released Testlets