School Assessment Listserv

Illinois Assessment Updates

February 20, 2015

Upcoming Webinars

We have planned many upcoming webinar opportunities to provide support during PARCC testing. Every Friday (10am) for the next several weeks we will be holding our usual Illinois Assessment Update webinar. For more information and to register for the next two, click here and here. Additionally, we will make ourselves available every Tuesday at 2:30pm for an Open Office Hour where will we just be online to respond to questions, concerns, and feedback. For more information and to register for these, click here.

PARCC Precache Availability

Precaching is now available in Illinois. In order to do this, proctor caching and sessions must be set up first. It is important to remember that any changes to a student PNP after caching might result in the needed test forms not being cached. It is our strong recommendation that you cache again right before testing starts.

PARCC Shipping

For districts with a testing window opening on March 2 or March 9, all initial order materials should arrive in district by Monday, Feb. 23. If you have any questions about shipping, they should be directed to Pearson at 888-493-9888.

PARCC Make-Up Testing Directions for Computer-Based Testing

The directions for computerized make-up testing have been posted on Avocet. You can find them here.

PARCC Student Log-out Procedures

We have received several questions about the log out procedures for students in TestNav. This document (with screenshots) will hopefully provide more clarification.

PARCC Highlighter and Stray Marks Guidance

PARCC has released a document to provide guidance on the use of highlighters and other marks on the PARCC paper tests. This document can be found here.

PARCC Technology Bulletin

The most recent PARCC Technology Bulletin can be found here.
PARCC Communication Plan

We have created a communication plan to address your needs in the most efficient way possible. It lists various topics and provides resources and contact information to get the assistance you need. You can find this plan [here](#).

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](#)