Good afternoon,

The PARCC EOY testing window is getting underway. The PBA and EOY are two parts of the same test, with the PBA being given at roughly 75 percent of instruction and the EOY being given at roughly 90 percent of instruction. More than 1.4 million PBA sessions were administered in Illinois, and more than 75 percent of the state’s students are taking the PARCC assessment online.

I want to encourage everyone who has served as a PARCC test administrator in this process to complete the Test Administrator Survey. You can find the computer-based testing survey here and the paper-based testing survey here. Feedback is one of the most important parts of improving the assessment system.

Illinois community college presidents have recently agreed to start using PARCC to determine a student’s readiness for college-level courses. This means that students who earn certain scores can be placed directly into credit-bearing classes without spending extra time and money on other placement exams or remedial courses.

Thanks for all you do!

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