Subject: IIKA Updates March

To: All Private School Administrators

CC: All Scholarship-Granting Organizations

Dear School Administrator,

As we begin to roll into testing season, please see below for details relating to each assessment that IIKA scholarship recipients must take. Schools that do not assess their students with the required assessments are at risk of losing their ability to offer IIKA scholarships to their students. For more information on the IIKA, please visit the [ISBE Illinois Invest in Kids webpage](#).

HIGH SCHOOLS

SAT, PSAT 8/9 and PSAT 10

SAT w/ Essay materials should be arriving soon for the March 22 assessment date. Please make sure that you have all the materials you need to administer the test. Please contact College Board Support for assistance if there is a discrepancy in your order.

All orders for tests were placed back in November via the spreadsheet that was filled out. If you plan on testing all your students, that roster should have contained all student names. Only a small overage of tests is sent along with the Pre-IDs that were created from that roster.

College Board Phone: 8440-688-9995 | College Board Email: ilsat@collegeboard.org

Please click below for upcoming dates on deliveries of test materials for SAT and PSAT.

[IIKA Test Day Schedule for SAT w/ Essay](#)

[SAT w/ Essay Dates](#)

[PSAT 8/9 and 10 Dates](#)

List of Established High Schools

Please click [here](#) to see if your high school is set to administer the SAT with Essay, PSAT 8/9, and/or PSAT 10. The list includes all schools that have filled out the two Establishment Surveys distributed earlier in the year. If your school has missing and/or incorrect information, please contact Robert Potempa at rpotempa@isbe.net to correct the situation as soon as possible.

GRADE SCHOOLS

PearsonAccessNext IAR Training for IIKA Schools

Thank you to all that attended the Illinois Assessment of Readiness (IAR) training for IIKA schools during the week of Jan. 9. Please note that a recording of one of the training sessions is available for viewing on the Pearson IIKA support page.

For additional support in navigating the Pearson PAN platform, you can find useful tutorials and training modules here.

PearsonAccessNext IAR Management

We have over 95% of IIKA schools rostered into the Pearson PAN system. If your school has IIKA scholarship recipients and you have not accessed the Pearson PAN system, please contact Mr. Potempa at rpotempa@isbe.net for support or access to the Pearson PAN system.

Please make sure to go into PAN and fill out the "Critical Errors" (the orange circles next to your students' names). To correct these errors, go to Set Up – Students, select the students with the error, then go to Select Tasks and choose Registration and Start. You can review each student on this page and answer the orange highlighted sections.

Please make sure that you have assigned two tests to each of your students -- an English Language Arts test and a Math test. This can be done by going into Set Up – Students. Select all your students from the list and go to Select Tasks. Click on Registration and press Start. From this page, go to the tab that says Manage Students Tests. Here you can choose each name from the Blank dropdown menu and assign them the appropriate test. Select Online for testing. You may be able to order paper tests, but you will have to contact Pearson directly to do so.

List of Established Grade Schools

Please click here to see if your grade school is set to administer the IAR and the Illinois Science Assessment (ISA). The list includes all schools that have filled out the Establishment Survey distributed earlier in the year. If your school has missing and/or incorrect information, please contact Mr. Potempa at rpotempa@isbe.net to correct the situation as soon as possible.

ALL SCHOOLS

Weekly Assessment Webinars

IIKA presentation slides were added in January to the weekly assessment webinar that occurs every Friday at 10 a.m. If you would like weekly updates regarding IIKA assessments, please join the webinar. Go to Weekly Assessment Updates and click on the Presentations and Webinar tab to register!

IIKA State Assessments

Please note the dates of the important assessments that all IIKA scholarship recipients must take during the 2022-23 school year.

See IIKA 2022-23 assessment dates.

NEW This Year Illinois Science Assessment for Grades 5, 8, and 11

The Illinois Science Assessment is a web-based annual summative test given by ISBE to students in Grades 5, 8, and 11 across the state of Illinois.

Rostering of all Grades 5, 8 and 11 students has been completed. Please look for an email from Sean Clayton and John Hicks welcoming you to the ISBE Teach platform. If you have not received an email regarding your account, please contact Mr. Potempa at rpotempa@isbe.net. All invitations for IIKA schools were sent to principals whose names are on file.

The average time length of the ISA is approximately two hours. There are three sections of the assessment that are approximately 40-45 minutes each. It is advised that the test begin and end on the same day. Once you're in the system, you can generate test codes for your students for the three sections of the test. You can only create one code at a time. Once a student finishes one section, you can generate the next code.

The testing window for the ISA is currently open. Please make sure to complete all testing by April 28.

If you need technical support or support with understanding the ISBE Teach platform, please refer to the following:

·   For additional information about ISA, visit the ISBE Illinois Science Assessment webpage.

·   Support telephone number: 855-340-3911.

·   Support email: isbe-isa-support@psionline.com. (Consider using the web chat listed below in lieu of email for quicker responses.)

·   Support chat.

Assessment Security Monitoring Survey for All IIKA Schools

Any school with IIKA scholarship recipients in Grades 3-11 must complete the Assessment Security Monitoring Survey. Input the name of your school or your RCDTS code in the "District Name" space. Please complete the rest of the form and submit it. This survey is due June 30, 2023.

Take the survey.