

Subject: IKA Updates for October

To: All Private School Administrators

CC: All Scholarship-Granting Organizations

Dear School Administrator,

If your school has not completed the Establishment Survey, or updated the Entity Profile System, please do so as soon as possible. Here are some updates and new information.

ALL SCHOOLS

IKA Scholarship Recipients

If your school is not sure they have any IKA scholarship recipients for the 2022-23 school year, please contact your school's business manager and/or tuition manager. They should be able to provide a list to you. ISBE does not have a list of IKA scholarship recipients. Scholarship granting organizations should reach out to your school's business or tuition manager to let them know they have IKA scholarship recipients for the 2022-23 school year.

IKA State Assessments

Please look at the important assessments and dates that all IKA scholarship recipients must take for the 2022-2023 school year.

[IKA 2022-23 Assessment Dates](#)

***NEW This Year* Illinois Science Assessment**

All IKA scholarship recipients in grades 5, 8 and 11 will be required to take the Illinois Science Assessment (ISA). The testing window for the science assessment is March 1, 2023, through April 28, 2023. More information will be forthcoming regarding this assessment and rostering of students.

IKA Establishment Survey – Closing in November

All private schools with IKA students in Grades 3-10 must fill out the Establishment Survey for the 2022-23 school year. This survey allows each school to update its contact information with the Illinois State Board of Education, so we have the most current information going into the new school year. If you find an error in the diocese in which your school is included or your school is not listed in the survey, please contact assessment@isbe.net.

Please note ALL Archdiocese of Chicago schools have been established through Clare Sullivan and the Office of Catholic Schools. There is no need for any Archdiocesan schools to fill out the survey. It has been done for you.

Click [HERE](#) to see if your school has already been established, if not please take the survey below. (Add attached list of schools PDF file to [HERE](#))

Schools incur all testing costs for all students IKA and otherwise.

[Take Survey](#)

Assessment Security Monitoring Survey for All IKA Schools


Any school with IKA scholarship recipients in grades 3-11 must complete the Assessment Security Monitoring Survey. Where it says, "District Name", please input the name of your school or your RCDTS code. Please complete the rest of the form and submit it when completed.

[Take Survey](#)

Updating School Contact Information in the Entity Profile System

If you have not updated your school's information in the Entity Profile System within the past school year, please take a moment to log into your IWAS account to make sure all information is current. It is important for this information to be updated regularly as this is where ISBE gets all the data to send out updates, messages, etc. Please make sure to identify the principal or principals (if you have multiple grade levels). If you have not designated someone on your staff to be the Illinois Assessment of Readiness (IAR) coordinator, the Illinois Science Assessment coordinator, or the PSAT/SAT coordinator, please take some time to choose a contact person for each and complete this information. How to select the different coordinators is explained in the links below.

<https://www.isbe.net/Pages/Entity-Profile-System.aspx>

 <p>Illinois State Board of Education</p>		<p><u>Entity Profile System</u></p> <p>The Entity Profile System (EPS) serves as the directory for Illinois schools and districts. All other IWAS systems are populated with information entered in EPS.</p> <p>www.isbe.net</p>
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If there are any questions about adding this information or you cannot access EPS, please click on the "Help" link on the IWAS login page.

Here's information on how to create new coordinators:

<https://www.isbe.net/Documents/EPS-Add-Test-Coordinator-Contacts.pdf>

ASSESSMENT LITERACY

Oct 20, 2022

Event: Math and Reading Readiness for College and Career

Description:

This presentation includes a quick overview of both the Lexile Framework for Reading and the Quantile Framework for Mathematics, the research behind a student finding a pathway to becoming college and career ready, and an introduction to MetaMetrics newest utilities — the Lexile and Quantile Growth Planners — to help all stakeholders visualize both a student's past growth and his or her estimated future growth towards goals beyond school.

Target Audience: Administrators, counselors, educators

To register, click one of the links below and you will be sent an email with the webinar link:

- [Session 1 - 10-11:30 a.m.](#)
- [Session 2 - 4-5:30 p.m.](#)

This is an interactive training course so please be prepared to participate.

WE HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!

CATAPULT HIGH-IMPACT TUTORING

ISBE recognized private and public schools may be eligible for free high-impact tutoring for all students in grade K-12. The focus of the tutoring program is to increase reading and mathematics skills. The program will run for 28 weeks, and schools can hire their own tutors. Please visit the link below for more information.

[Catapult Learning in Illinois](#)

Please visit the [Illinois Invest in Kids](#) webpage for more information. It is updated regularly.