



Illinois Assessment Update



Illinois State Board of Education

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UPDATES



Online Tests Completed

- Illinois Online Tests Completed YTD:
1,476,000
- PARCC Online Tests Completed YTD:
7,520,000



Illinois Paper/Online Split

- More than **75%** of Illinois students took PBA online. Less than **25%** were on paper.



LESSONS LEARNED FROM PBA



Answers Submitted Too Early

Issue:

- Students were faced with a “submit” button following the last unit of a session. When testing out of order due to a make-up scenario, students frequently submitted their answers before they were finished.
- ISBE was only option for unsubmitting these tests.

Solutions:

- Pearson pushed an update that disables the “submit” button until student has visited all units.
- Pearson created a new user role allowing districts to unsubmit tests if necessary.



Misadministration of Seal Codes

Issue:

- Test administrators are erroneously providing students with all seal codes simultaneously, resulting in an irregularity.

Solutions:

- Reinforcement of the testing procedures through assessment listserv, webinars, and Teacher Leader Cadre listserv.



Incorrect Accommodation Delivery

Issue:

- Students occasionally will log into the test and not have the correct accommodations. Most commonly, this occurs with text-to-speech and Spanish translation.
- Most often this is a result of districts misunderstanding the selected accommodations, uploading the data incorrectly, or problems with the proctor cache.

Solutions:

- Reinforcement of checks prior to testing through assessment listserv, technology listserv, and webinars.
- ISBE produced a document detailing steps in dealing with the problem:
<http://www.isbe.state.il.us/assessment/pdfs/parcc/pnp-accom-delivery-issues.pdf>



Additional Ancillary Materials

Issue:

- When placing additional orders, districts were not receiving the needed labels, paper bands, etc. for return shipping.
- These materials must be ordered separately.

Solutions:

- Reinforcement of ancillary material orders through assessment listserv and webinars.



PREPARING FOR EOY



EOY Data Transfer

- SIS is currently transferring all PearsonAccess Next data (students, accommodations, sessions) from PBA to EOY.
- This will be completed no later than April 20.



Fixing Incorrect Accommodations and Accessibility Features for EOY Testing

- During the Performance-Based Assessment (PBA) administration, if accommodations and/or accessibility features for a student were not initially identified and 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.



Paper Shipments

- Most districts should have received initial orders at this time.
- Additional order window is currently open.



Headphones

- Items on the EOY administration do not require headphones. Students will not need headphones unless required by the student's IEP or 504.



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DLM Spring Testing Window Extended

- ISBE has extended the DLM Spring testing window until Friday, May 29, to provide districts additional time to complete testing.



NEXT YEAR



2015-2016 Dates

- Still being discussed at the consortium level. They are taking into account the challenges that they have heard raised by districts and trying to mitigate those for the next administration.



2015-2016 HS PARCC Tests

- This will be funding dependent. We are eventually working toward administering all HS tests.



ACCESS for ELLs 2.0

- ACCESS for ELLs will move to an online format next year (with paper still available as an accommodation).
- Test administrator trainings will be made available in the fall.
- For 2015-2016, the ACCESS for ELLs 2.0 testing window will be from January 11, 2016 to February 12, 2016.



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Tuesdays 1:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.

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Thursdays 11:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

To Register: <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/rt/5985912091042029825>



Illinois Assessment Update Webinars



Fridays 10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

To Register: <http://www.isbe.state.il.us/assessment/>



Communication Plan

<http://www.isbe.state.il.us/assessment/pdfs/2015/parcc/parcc-comm-plan-15.pdf>

We have identified four points of contact for you based on your needs. Some of the topics below are also hyperlinked to useful documents.

| Topic | Point of Contact |
|---|---|
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Shipping Placing additional orders PANext (PearsonAccessNext) TestNav8 Technology issues related to PANext or TestNav8 Setting up proctor caching Setting up and managing test sessions Accommodation and PNP uploads New students in PearsonNext | <p>Pearson’s PARCC Help Desk Phone: 888-493-9888 Email: parcc@support.pearson.com Online Chat: Available in PANext Website: http://parcc.pearson.com/#</p> |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Connection, network, or server issues Basic technology troubleshooting | <p>Learning Technology Centers (LTC) (see page 2 of this document)</p> |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Test administration Test irregularities Administering accommodations Users in PANext Scheduling Approval of additional orders Unique Accommodations | <p>ISBE Assessment Division Phone: 866-317-6034 Email: assessment@isbe.net Fax: 217-782-6097 Website: http://www.isbe.state.il.us/assessment/</p> |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Student data uploads New students in SIS Assessment Session Location upload | <p>ISBE Student Information System (SIS) Phone: 217-558-3600 Website: http://www.isbe.net/sis/</p> |

Additional Resources:

- [PARCC.pearson.com](#)
- [Pearson Avocet Site \(containing all manuals\)](#)
- [PearsonAccess Next](#)
- [Illinois Assessment Key Dates Calendar](#)
- [Who May Administer the PARCC Assessments?](#)
- [PARCC FAQ](#)
- [Test Administrator Scripts \(Verbal Directions\)](#)
- [Calculator Policy](#)
- [Math Reference Sheets](#)
 - [Grades 5-8](#)
 - [High School](#)
- [Math Blueprints, Test Specs. & Evidence Tables](#)
- [ELA Blueprints, Test Specs. & Evidence Tables](#)



2015 DLM Communication Plan

We have identified four points of contact for you based on your needs. Some of the topics below are also hyperlinked to useful documents.



Communication Plan

<http://isbe.net/assessment/pdfs/dlm/2015/communication-plan15.pdf>

| Topic | Point of Contact |
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Educator Portal • KITE Client • Setting up Rosters • Personal Needs Preferences Profile (PNP) • First Contact Survey • Student Test Tickets • Testlet delivery • Testlet Information Pages (TIP) • Monitoring Spring testing | <p>DLM/KITE Help Desk Phone: 1-855-277-9751 Email: DLM-support@ku.edu Website: http://dynamiclearningmaps.org/illinois</p> |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Test administration • Test irregularities • Users in Educator Portal • Scheduling/Test window | <p>ISBE Assessment & Accountability Division Phone: 1-866-317-6034 Email: assessment@isbe.net or jdare@isbe.net Fax: 217-782-6097 Website: http://isbe.net/assessment/dlm.htm</p> |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Test administration • Accommodations • Users in Educator Portal • Scheduling/Test window • IEP Assessment Pages | <p>ISBE Special Education Services Division Phone: 217-782-5589 Email: lquimby@isbe.net Website: http://isbe.net/spec-ed/Default.htm</p> |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DLM Pre-ID file • New students in SIS • Student enrollment in Educator Portal | <p>ISBE Student Information Systems (SIS) Phone: 217-558-3600 Website: http://www.isbe.net/sis/</p> |



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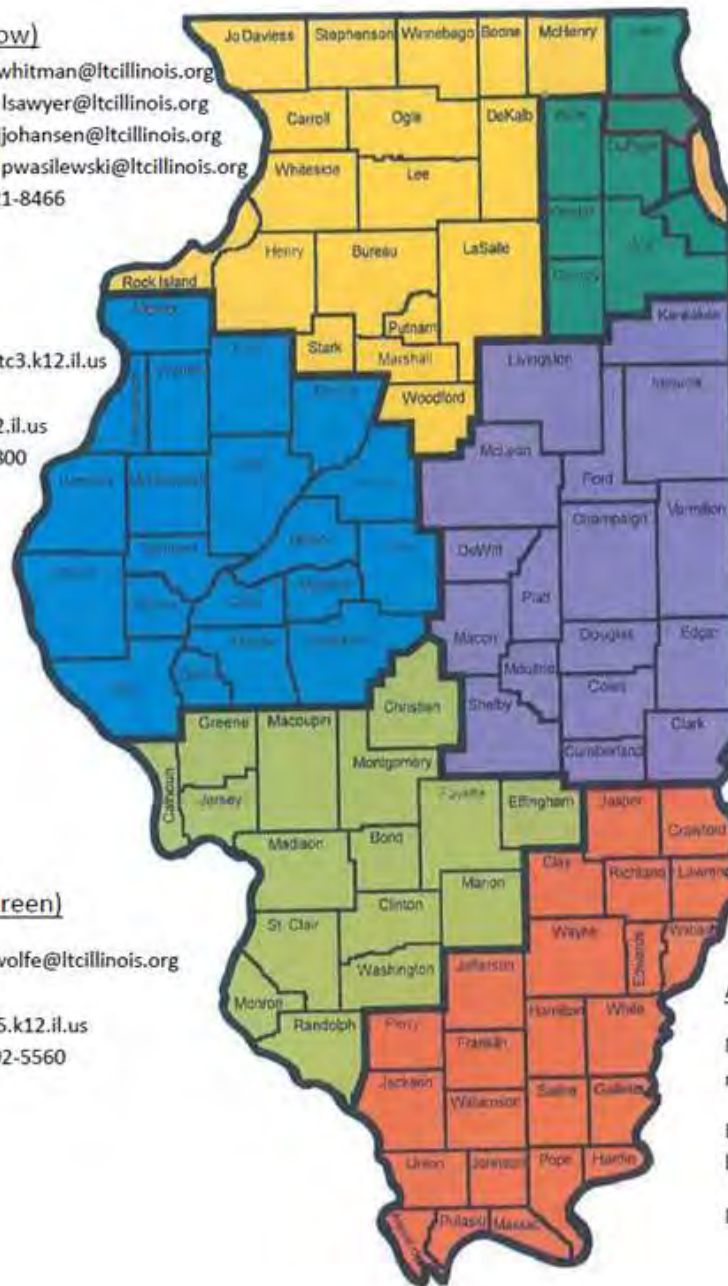
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Contact

- Assessment Office
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 - assessment@isbe.net
- SIS Help Desk
 - 217-558-3600 (Option 2)
- Join our listservs!
 - Assessment Listserv
 - Send a blank email with “SUBSCRIBE” in the subject line to assessment@isbe.net
 - Technology Point-of-Contact Listserv
 - Send a blank email with “SUBSCRIBE” in the subject line to jbaiter@isbe.net
- PARCC Support Center
 - 888-493-9888
 - parcc@support.pearson.com
- DLM Support Center
 - 855-277-9751
 - DLM-support@ku.edu



TEACHER LEADER CADRE



TLC

- The Teacher Leader Cadre (TLC) was created as a way to better connect with the teachers of Illinois and provide them with resources and updates on Illinois assessments and the new learning standards. The goal is to create a network of professionals to share information and connect in hopes of bettering education in the state of Illinois.
- If you are interested in joining the TLC, send an email with the subject line “TLC” to assessment@isbe.net. You’ll be added to the listserv.



Teacher Resources Page

- <http://www.isbe.state.il.us/assessment/htmls/teacher-resources.htm>



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