Student Assessment Listserv

Illinois Assessment Updates

Nov. 15, 2016

New - **Illinois Assessment Update Webinar**
Join us for a webinar on Nov 18, 2016 at 10:00 AM CDT.

Test Windows for Illinois State Assessments - 2017
2016-17 State Assessment Dates 📄

PARCC

Test Coordinator Manual
2016–2017 Spring Administration Computer-Based & Paper-Based Testing Math & English Language Arts/Literacy Test Coordinator Manual 📄

The 2017 PARCC Administration will have the same number of test units as in 2016. In addition, the unit times will remain the same.

PARCC Practice Tests
https://parcc.pearson.com/

PARCC Released Items
https://prc.parcconline.org/assessments/parcc-released-items

PARCC AF&A Manual
Accessibility and Accommodations Manual, 5th Edition (complete, includes Appendices A-M; 226 pg. 5.6MB) 📄 *(8/2/16)*
What's New in the 5th Edition? 📄 *(8/2/16)*
2017 PARCC Calculator Policy 📄 *(7/16)*

PARCC Technology/Administration Bulletin
Link to most current bulletin
https://parcc.pearson.com/bulletins/

SAT®- Assessment for Grade 11 in 2017

New - SAT Implementation Overview Webinar - This optional webinar is designed to provide a general overview of the Illinois SAT administration. It is specifically focused on the activities of the Test Center Supervisor; however the information provided will be helpful for all staff assisting with testing. Topics include the Pre-ID process, room and staff planning, test administration, and more. This webinar will be recorded and posted for those unable to attend.
Tuesday, November 15, 2016, Noon-1:30 p.m., to register click here.

New - SAT Accommodations Overview Webinar - This optional webinar is designed to provide information about the College Board accommodations process as well as the State-Allowed accommodations process. It is specifically focused on the activities of the SSD (Services for Students with Disabilities) Coordinator; however the information provided will be helpful for all staff assisting with testing. Topics include the accommodations request process, room planning, and test administration. This webinar will be recorded and posted for those unable to attend. Wednesday, November 16, 2016, Noon-1:30 p.m., to register click here.

NEW - Survey letter from SAT

High school principals should receive a letter (via email) from College Board this week. The letter contains a link to a survey that school staff must complete in order to establish the school as an SAT$^{\hat{O}}$ test site. Please contact College Board (Sharon Cowley - scowley@collegeboard.org) if school staff has not received the letter, or if school staff has questions about completing the survey.

ISBE web link for SAT**®** information
http://www.isbe.net/assessment/sat.htm

SAT® Implementation FAQs📄 *(9/9/16)*

SAT Illinois Customer Service: 844-688-9995
SAT Illinois Customer Service: ilsat@collegeboard.org

For 2017, the SAT® will be administered in paper & pencil format. The assessment includes the essay component.

For more detailed information on the SAT components, go to the web link below.
https://collegereadiness.collegeboard.org/sat/inside-the-test/compare-old-new-specifications

ISA (Illinois Science Assessment)

For ISA, grades 5, 8, and high school biology will take the assessment in 2017.

NEW - Updated ISA FAQ Document
http://www.isbe.net/assessment/pdfs/isa/isa-faq.pdf

ACCESS

ACCESS Material Ordering

The last day to place initial ACCESS 2.0 material orders is this Friday, November 18th, 2016. The additional ordering window will be from December 28th, 2016 to February 17th, 2017. Orders are placed on the www.wida.us website.

Note: Districts and schools that plan to test entirely online should indicate this via the WIDA-AMS materials ordering process. In the second table on the "Order Materials" tab, labeled "Online Order for School . . .", enter the number of students that will test online by grade cluster. The writing-only test booklets for grades 1-3 will automatically be sent; they should not be ordered separately. For students in grades 4-12, keyboard response is the default. Handwritten response is optional, but the writing-only test booklets for grades 4-12 cannot be ordered until the additional ordering window. The additional ordering window opens December 28th, 2016.

New - ACCESS Tech Downloads
The current release of INSIGHT (7.1.0) is available for:
- Windows 7, 8.1, & 10
- Mac OS 10.9.5, 10.10, 10.11 & macOS Sierra 10.12
- Linux Ubuntu 12.04 LTS, 14.04 LTS, 16.04 LTD – with 64-bit Gnome 3.4, Unit Shell
- Linux Ubuntu 12.04 LTS, 14.04 LTS, 16.04 LTD – with 32-bit Gnome 3.4, Unit Shell
- Chromebook OS recent stable channel
- Apple iOS 10.0, iOS 9.3, iOS 9.2, iOS 9.1, iOS 9.0

The current release of TSM 9.1.0_2 is being updated to 9.1.0_4. That release date is unknown, but any properly installed version of 9.1.0_2 that is set to automatically update will do so with little or no user action.

WIDA Screener
The online version of the new WIDA Screener is now available at www.wida.us. Illinois is not adopting the WIDA Screener for 2016-17, but educators are welcome to explore its features. Permission to access the WIDA Screener must be assigned to a user's account. District Coordinators on www.wida.us can assign permission.

Illinois-Specific Preparation Checklists
Illinois-specific ACCESS checklists will appear on www.wida.us this week. They emphasize local flexibility regarding the way tasks are assigned to staff. The Illinois-specifics lists will have a mixture of "X" and "D" in the role columns to distinguish which tasks should be done personally by someone in that role, and which may be delegated.

ACCESS Writing Field Test
WIDA is seeking EL students to participate in a field test of the ACCESS 2.0 Writing Assessment. It's for students in grades 1-12 at all proficiency levels. For grades 1-3, it is handwritten. For grades 4-12, it is keyboarded. Sessions are a maximum of 30 minutes long. It may be administered either before or after the 2017 ACCESS administration.

Field Test Windows
- Grades 1-3 November 11th, 2016 to late January, 2017.
- Grades 4-12 November 28th, 2016 to late January, 2017.

Interested schools or districts should contact Alex Bauer, 608-265-0601, alex.bauer@wisc.edu.

ACCESS W-APT Training Access
Training to administer the W-APT screening tools is available at www.wida.us. Access to it now requires that the account holder be given the W-APT permission, which also allows access to the materials. Account users who are District Assessment Coordinators on this site may assign these permissions to other users within the district.

ACCESS for ELLs 2.0 Webinars/Q&A Sessions Began in September
WIDA and DRC are offering webinars to support educators with the preparation and administration of ACCESS for ELLs 2.0.

The full webinar schedule for September 2016 through June 2017 is online here, https://www.wida.us/assessment/access%202.0/documents/ACCESSWebinarCalendar.pdf. Recordings of past webinars may be found here, https://www.wida.us/assessment/ACCESS%202.0/WebinarRecordings.aspx

ACCESS Pre-ID File
The last day to submit changes to the ACCESS Pre-ID Label file is November 18th, 2016.
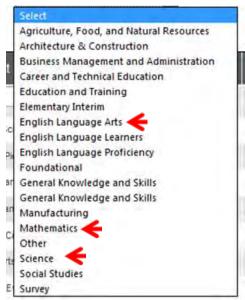
DLM

Required Training
- Required training is now open for all users for the 2016-2017 school year.
- All training needs to be completed by January 27th, 2017.
- New users need to be added by January 9th, 2016 in order to complete the required training. It takes 48 hours for an account to be established in Moodle.
- If you are new to the district and have completed the training in another district, then please update your user account with your new email address.

User Roles
- The only roles available for DLM are the following:
  - District Superintendent
  - District Test Coordinator
  - Building Test Coordinator
  - Teacher
- If a user has a role other than those listed, please have your DLM coordinator update the role to match a listed role.

Rosters
- Students in grades 3-8 and 11 will need to be placed in a roster for ELA and Mathematics.
- Students in grades 5, 8, and 11 will need to be placed in a roster for Science.
- Rosters should be listed as the following:
    - Teacher's last name, subject
        - Smith ELA
        - Smith Math
        - Smith Science
- Districts do not need to identify the specific course when creating the rosters.
- Districts only need to identify ELA, Math, and Science. If any other subject is selected, it will not deliver a testlet.

Data Lockdown
- Data lockdown begins February 6th, 2017.
- All rosters, required training, and users must be added prior to this date.
- All grade level corrections must also be completed prior to this date. If you are correcting a grade level, please make sure the grade is also changed in SIS.

District Score Reports
- District score reports will be sent out via mail to superintendents.
- If your district superintendent is not identified in Educator Portal, please have your DLM coordinator add or update the role of district superintendent.

Individual Score Reports
- The Individual Student Reports (ISRs) are available for the 2015-2016 in the Educator Portal as individual reports or bundled reports.
- District Superintendent, District Test Coordinator, Building Test Coordinator, and Building Principal have access to these reports.
- Scoring and Reporting Resources for Year End States can be found at the following website: http://dynamiclearningmaps.org/srr/ye

Instructionally Embedded Resources
http://dynamiclearningmaps.org/erp_ye

KIDS

http://www.isbe.net/earlychi/pdf/KIDS-IL-School-Readiness-Initiative.pdf
This assessment is administered by the Early Childhood Division – 217-524-4835.