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Key Updates for School Year 2020-2021



Optional IREAD-3 Fall Administration

Per the Indiana State Board of Education [resolution](#), an optional IREAD-3 window for grade 4 students is offered. The window is scheduled for November 2-6.



High School Accountability Assessment

All students in Cohort 2022 must participate in the 2021 ISTEP+ Spring Retest to meet accountability requirements.



PSAT/NMSQT Test Administration

Schools may order test materials and mark them for use on EITHER the primary test day OR the alternate test day to support flexible scheduling of tests. Schools may utilize both the primary and alternate test day to administer the Fall 2020 PSAT/NMSQT.



Tools for Teachers

Tools for Teachers is an easy-to-search website featuring lessons and activities designed to save teachers time. It includes accessibility resources, formative assessment strategies, activities, and other resources aligned to Indiana Academic Standards. Tools for Teachers will be available to all teachers through TIDE on September 14.



Calculator Accommodation

Students that participate in ILEARN grades 6-8 and ISTEP+ that use a calculator as an accommodation can have access to a calculator for all items if the case conference committee determines the accommodation is appropriate based on student needs. More details are available in the 2020-2021 Accessibility and Accommodations Guidance.



Text-to-Speech (TTS) Accommodation

Students that participate in ILEARN grades 6-8 and ISTEP+ can have all items and passages, including items that measure reading comprehension, read aloud via TTS if the case conference committee determines the accommodation is appropriate based on student needs. More details are available in the 2020-2021 Accessibility and Accommodations Guidance.