



TO: Superintendents, Administrators, CTCs and STCs
FROM: Office of Student Assessment, Indiana Department of Education
 Office of Accountability, Indiana Department of Education
RE: High School Assessment Administration
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Changes to Indiana Code in 2018 and updated requirements from the United States Department of Education (USED) in 2020 impacted Indiana’s statewide assessment administration plan for high schools. This memo summarizes those impacts for the 2020-2021 school year.

- Indiana Code 20-32-5.1-7(d) requires the State of Indiana to administer a nationally recognized college entrance exam as the statewide assessment beginning with Cohort 2023. The Indiana Department of Administration selected College Board’s SAT to satisfy this requirement. Students beginning with Cohort 2023 will participate in the SAT in grade 11 beginning Spring 2022.
- In response to updated requirements from the USED, the Indiana State Board of Education [ruled](#) that the ISTEP+ Spring 2021 Retest will serve as Indiana’s high school accountability test for school year 2020-2021.

Table 1: Indiana English/Language Arts and Mathematics Assessment Schedule

	2018-2019	2019-2020	2020-2021	2021-2022	2022-2023
Grade 9	Not Assessed	No Assessment	Not Assessed	Not Assessed	Not Assessed
Grade 10	ISTEP+ 10	No Assessment	Not Assessed	Not Assessed	Not Assessed
Grade 11	ISTEP+ (retest)	No Assessment	ISTEP+ (required retest)	SAT	SAT
Grade 12	ISTEP+ (retest)	No Assessment	ISTEP+ (retest)	ISTEP+ (retest)	Not Assessed

Table 1 outlines the administration schedule of the Mathematics and English/Language Arts statewide assessments. A high school accountability assessment will be administered each school year. Students in Cohorts 2023 and future will participate in the SAT during grade 11. Students in Cohort 2022 will participate in ISTEP+ Spring 2021 Retest for school accountability during grade 11. Students in Cohorts 2019-2022 may continue to participate in additional ISTEP+ Retest administrations to fulfill high school graduation requirements as needed.

Note: Table 1 does not address the high school science assessment requirement for federal accountability. Students enrolled in Biology should participate in the ILEARN Biology End-of-Course Assessment (ECA) upon completion of the course, regardless of their grade level.