



Assessment Update for Parental Choice Schools

November 1, 2023

WISCONSIN STATEWIDE ASSESSMENT SYSTEM UPDATES

Accountability

Reminders:

2022-23 Preliminary Secure Report Cards

The window to open an inquiry with the Office of Educational Accountability (OEA) closed on October 16. We thank you for providing your data corrections quickly and with appropriate evidence to ensure accurate reporting. At this time, OEA staff are working with schools and districts that opened inquiries to resolve them and make manual corrections in the report cards. As a reminder, **scores and ratings are subject to change** based on updates resulting from the inquiry period. The data that are finalized in the report card inquiry process will be used in both state and federal (both ESSA and IDEA) accountability systems.

The public release of final school and district report cards is scheduled for **November 14**. These report cards will include redaction to protect student privacy. At that time the public school and district report cards results will be widely available. If you have questions about report cards, please [contact OEA](#).

Report Card Resources

We have posted templates to the [report card resource page](#) that may be helpful as you craft your local messages:

- **Parent Letters:** templates for traditional school, alternate accountability, and choice student report cards. Translated versions available to Spanish and Hmong.
- **Report Cards At-A-Glance:** high-level guide for understanding the report cards. Translated versions available to Spanish and Hmong.
- **Local Report Card:** a template for schools/districts to use when designing their local report card, intended to complement the state report card.

ACT

New:

2024 PAnext Portal

The 2024 [ACT PearsonAccess^{Next} \(PAnext\) portal](#) will open on November 6. DACs will receive access to the portal, along with instructions on how to set up testing staff within PAnext and select an ACT testing date, at that time. New DACs will receive an email from ACT/PearsonAccess^{next} with instructions on how to set up their account.

2024 ACT Testing Resources

The following 2024 ACT administrative resources are now available on the [Wisconsin ACT website](#):

- ACT PearsonAccess^{next} User Guide (Step 2)
- All ACT Administration Manuals and Forms (Step 5)
- ACT Test Coordinator Information Manual (Step 5)
- **ACT Schedule of Events** (Important Dates)

Note: The Schedule of Events contains important tasks and deadlines for administering the ACT and should be reviewed often, by **all testing staff**, throughout the year.

ACT Global Accommodations Office Hours

The Test Accessibility and Accommodation System (TAA) opened for the spring 2024 ACT assessment on September 11. ACT will hold Accommodation Office Hours again this year to provide the field with an opportunity to speak and ask questions directly with an ACT Accommodation Specialist. Visit the [ACT Accommodation Office Hours registration link](#) to register for these upcoming events.

Note: ACT global office hours are open to all states, districts and schools and will not cover any Wisconsin specific policies.

PreACT Secure

New:

2024 Schedule of Events

The spring 2024 PreACT Secure Schedule of Events has been posted to the [Wisconsin PreACT Secure website](#) (Important Dates).

Note: The Schedule of Events contains important tasks and deadlines for administering the PreACT Secure and should be reviewed often, by **all testing staff**, throughout the year.

Forward Exam

New:

Technology System Requirements

DACs and DTCs should review the hardware and operating system requirements documentation for the 2023-24 administration to ensure student devices meet the minimum requirements for testing. Updated 2024 technology system requirements for student testing devices are available on the [Forward Exam Technology Requirements webpage](#).

New Resources

As new resources are posted to our website, we will include them here for your convenience for a few weeks. This is NOT an exhaustive list but meant to highlight resources with significant relevance to our upcoming test windows.

Resource	Description	Assessment
Technology System Requirements	Updated System/Device requirements	Forward
ACT Schedule of Events	Schedule of Events contains important tasks and deadlines for administering the ACT.	ACT
PreACT Secure Schedule of Events	Schedule of Events contains important tasks and deadlines for administering the PreACT Secure.	PreACT Secure
ACT Administration Manuals and Forms	Manuals and forms to administer the 2024 ACT.	ACT

Important Dates to Remember

Be sure to refer to each specific assessment calendar for a complete list of key dates.

Date	Event	Program
November 6	PearsonAccess ^{next} (PANext) opens for 2024	ACT
November 6-10	In-Person 2023-24 Forward Exam 2024 DAC Training (same training in five locations)	Forward
November 8	ACT Test Administration 1 Training	ACT
November 9	Final secure release of the 2022-23 school and district report cards	Report Cards
November 10	Technology User Guide Available	Forward
November 14	Public release of the 2022-23 school and district report cards	Report Cards
November 22	Technology Training Videos available	Forward
November 23	DACs Assigned Permissions to the 2023-24 DRC INSIGHT Portal	Forward



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