

Spotlight

on Student Assessment and Accountability

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Weekly editions of the
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2016 M-STEP Final Reports Release and Informational Webcasts Coming Soon!

The 2016 M-STEP Final Score Reports will be available mid- to late-August. The reports, available in the MDE Dynamic Score Reporting Site through the Secure Site, will include:

- Individual Student Report (ISR)
- Student Overview Report
- Student Roster Report
- Comprehensive Report
- Demographic Comprehensive Report
- Expectation Analysis Report (for science and social studies)
- Parent Report

Printed Parent Reports for distribution to parents will be delivered to schools prior to the end of August. The new Target Analysis Report for ELA and mathematics will be available in the fall. All MI-Access reports will be available approximately 2 weeks after M-STEP reports are released.

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To accompany the reports, the MDE will offer a pre-recorded informational webcast on **Tuesday, August 16, 2016**, which will be posted on the [M-STEP web page](http://www.michigan.gov/mstep) (www.michigan.gov/mstep). There will also be two follow-up live Question & Answer sessions on **Thursday, August 25, 2016 at 10:00 AM** and at **2:00 PM**. Internet access will be required to submit questions via chat. To connect to the Q & A sessions conference line, use the [Connect Me link](https://stateofmichiganmdeweb.centurylinkccc.com/CenturylinkWeb/SOMOldBAA) (<https://stateofmichiganmdeweb.centurylinkccc.com/CenturylinkWeb/SOMOldBAA>) and follow the instructions to create a new user profile. To access audio only, dial 720-279-0026 and use **Guest Passcode 569943**.

Early Literacy and Mathematics District and School Contacts

The [Educational Entity Master \(EEM\)](http://www.michigan.gov/eem) (www.michigan.gov/eem) should be updated to include the school and district Early Literacy and Mathematics test coordinator. The EEM can only be updated by the authorized district EEM user, which is usually, but not always, the student/pupil accounting person. At this time, the contact type in the EEM is Interim Assessment Coordinator and it should be updated with the person in the district and each school who will be responsible for the Early Literacy and Mathematics testing. This will allow the coordinator to receive important communications from our office and also give our office a contact name and information should it be needed.

Additional people wishing to receive communications on Early Literacy and Mathematics can sign up for the [Early Literacy and Mathematics listerv](https://public.govdelivery.com/accounts/MIMDE/subscriber/new) (<https://public.govdelivery.com/accounts/MIMDE/subscriber/new>).

Early Literacy and Mathematics Pre-Identification

Schools that will be administering the Early Literacy and Mathematics test this fall to grades 1 and 2 will need to pre-identify students on the [Secure Site](http://www.michigan.gov/baa-secure) (www.michigan.gov/baa-secure) to the Fall 2016 Early Literacy test cycle.

- The MDE will not be pre-identifying any students for the Fall 2016 Early Literacy and Mathematics. It is the responsibility of the district or school.
- Pre-identification on the Secure Site will be available starting August 15, 2016.
- The initial load to eDIRECT of pre-Identified students will be on September 20, 2016, after 5:00 PM.
 - ◆ It will take a few days to load and verify the data. Once that is done, schools will have access to the students in eDIRECT.
 - ◆ After the initial load of students into eDIRECT, students must still be pre-identified on the Secure Site and then DRC will copy them into eDIRECT twice a day through the end of testing.
- Students can be pre-identified on the Secure Site using any of the following methods:
 - ◆ Early Roster file upload through the Michigan Student Data System (MSDS)
 - ◆ Pre-ID File Upload
 - ◆ MSDS Copy
 - ◆ One Student a Time
- Complete instructions for pre-identification of students for Early Literacy and Mathematics can

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be found on the [Secure Site Training web page](#) (www.michigan.gov/secaresitetraining) under the **Quick Reference** section.

Once students are pre-identified, they will need to be put into online test sessions in

- the **Secure Site before 5:00 PM, September 20, 2016**
 - ♦ Students who have been put into an online testing session on the Secure Site by September 20, the online test sessions will also be copied into eDIRECT.
- eDIRECT **AFTER** September 20, 2016
 - ♦ If students are not put into a test session on the Secure Site by September 20, students can be put into test sessions in eDIRECT when it becomes available to schools.
- ♦ Schools will need to continue to pre-identify students on the Secure Site after September 20 and through the end of testing. However **they can only be put into an online session in eDIRECT after September 20**. You will not be able to update or add students to test sessions in the Secure Site after September 20 – it **must** be done in eDIRECT.

Complete instructions for Online Testing Sessions can be found on the [Secure Site Training web page](#) (www.michigan.gov/secaresitetraining) under the **Quick Reference** section starting the first week of August.

If you do not have access to the Secure Site and need access, instructions on how to get access can be found on the [Secure Site Training web page](#) (www.michigan.gov/secaresitetraining) by clicking on “**How do I get access to the Secure Site?**”

SAT Corner

Information on SAT™, PSAT 8/9™, and PSAT10™ provided by the College Board

Fall and Spring Assessments

Like last year, schools do **NOT** need to order materials for the Michigan-sponsored SAT, PSAT 10, and PSAT 8/9 assessments in Spring 2017. If you elect to participate in fall testing of PSAT/NMSQT, materials should be ordered directly through College Board.

Get ready for next year - register for our Fall Counselor and Implementation Workshops

The Counselor Workshops are three-hour workshops designed for counselors and will provide important College Board Program updates for the 2016–17 school year, including: SAT Suite of Assessments, how score reports can help students improve their college readiness skills, free official SAT practice on Khan Academy, and upcoming changes to the 2017–18 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). Register at: www.collegeboard.org/cw.

The SAT and PSAT Implementation Workshops are two-hour workshops for Administrators, Counselors, and Test Center Supervisors to provide updates and changes to the Michigan SAT, PSAT 10, and PSAT 8/9 administrations in the spring of 2017. Learn about preparing for and administering the College Board exams; find out about the spring implementation timelines; and how our professional development offerings can prepare you for Spring 2017. Register at: www.collegeboard.org/satschoolday.

Schedule:

- 8:30 – 9:00 AM: Counselor Workshop Registration and Breakfast
- 9:00 – Noon: Counselor Workshop Presentation
- Noon – 1:00 PM: SAT School Day Implementation Registration and Lunch
- 1:00 – 3:00 PM: SAT School Day Implementation Presentation

See the list of dates and locations on the following page.

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Locations for Fall Counselor and Implementation Workshops

Dearborn	Friday, Sept. 30, 2016	University of Michigan-Dearborn
Detroit	Thursday, Sept. 29, 2016	Wayne State University
East Lansing	Tuesday, Sept. 27, 2016	Michigan State University
Grand Rapids	Tuesday, Sept. 20, 2016	Northview High School
Jackson	Wednesday, Sept. 28, 2016	Jackson Intermediate School District
Kalamazoo	Wednesday, Sept. 21, 2016	Western Michigan University-Kalamazoo
Marquette	Wednesday, Sept. 21, 2016	Northern Michigan University
Mount Pleasant	Monday, Sept. 26, 2016	Central Michigan University
Saginaw	Monday, Sept. 19, 2016	Saginaw Intermediate School District
Traverse City	Monday, Sept. 19, 2016	Traverse Bay Area Intermediate School District
Waterford	Friday, Sept. 16, 2016	Oakland Intermediate School District

Important Dates

August 2016

Early Literacy and Mathematics Benchmarks

- **Tuesday, August 16, 2016, 10:00 to 11:00 AM:** The Data Recognition Corporation fall Technology Coordinators WebEx (streamed live, recording to be posted on eDIRECT), discussing system enhancements for fall and spring testing.

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- **Thursday, August 25, 2016, 10:00 AM and 2:00 PM:** Live Question and Answer sessions for the 2016 M-STEP Final Reports release. To connect to the Q & A session's conference line, use the [Connect Me link](https://stateofmichiganmdweb.centurylinkccc.com/CenturylinkWeb/SOMOldBAA) (<https://stateofmichiganmdweb.centurylinkccc.com/CenturylinkWeb/SOMOldBAA>) and follow the instructions to create a new user profile. To access audio only, dial 720-279-0026 and use Guest Passcode 569943.

Sending Scores Back Program

- **Monday, August 29, 2016 at 5:00 PM:** Deadline to submit applications for the 2016–2017 Sending Scores Back Program. For more information, including the application and other informational resources regarding SEEs/S2E2s, please visit the [Shared Educational Entities web page](http://www.michigan.gov/sees) (www.michigan.gov/sees).

September 2016

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- **September 16, 2016 at 5:00 PM:** DEADLINE— Student Record Maintenance (SRM) **English Learner (EL) Exits** must be submitted and certified using an "As of Date" on or before June 30, 2016 **AND** an "LEP Exit Date" on or before June 30, 2016.

M-STEP, MI-Access, MME, & Early Literacy

- **September 26, 2016, 8:30 AM to 3:30 PM:** The Student Assessment and Accountability Fall Webcast (streamed live and recorded on MI Streamnet).

► Access previous [Spotlight editions](http://www.michigan.gov/mde-spotlight) (www.michigan.gov/mde-spotlight)

Have Other Questions?

For assessment questions, please email BAA@michigan.gov.

For accountability questions, please email MDE-Accountability@michigan.gov.

For phone assistance with assessment or accountability issues, call 877-560-8378 and select the appropriate menu option.