



Announcements from Assessment & Accountability -- located within the Division of Accountability Services (DAS) – Week of July 28, 2014.

There are THREE ANNOUNCEMENTS below:

- 1) 2014-15 and 2015-16 Summative Assessment Update
- 2) DLM Assessment Participation Delayed
- 3) REMINDER - Legally required K-12 Teacher and Administrator Evaluation Systems Survey for the 2013-14 School Year needs to be completed by Friday, August 1, 2014

1) 2014-15 and 2015-16 Summative Assessment Update

The 2014-15 and 2015-16 school years will bring substantial change in state required summative assessments.

In June of 2014, legislation was passed requiring the Michigan Department of Education (MDE) to develop a new summative assessment for use in Spring 2015. Unlike the previous MEAP assessments, the new assessment will be aligned to Michigan standards, administered in the spring, and measure current year versus past year student knowledge.

English language arts and mathematics will be assessed in grades 3-8 and 11. Science will be assessed in grades 4, 7, and 11; and social studies in grades 5, 8, and 11. This assessment will be administered for one year, online with a paper and pencil option for schools not technology-ready.

For more information click the links below:

- [2014-15 Michigan Statewide Assessment Transition Document](#)
- [Spring 2015 Testing Schedule Update](#)

New legislation also requires the department issue a Request For Proposal by September 1, 2014 for a new summative assessment system to begin in the 2015-16 school year.

To obtain valuable input, this week the department held a public hearing in Lansing attended by more than 100 educators, associations and parents.

Beyond the hearing, the public can provide input on the 2015-16 state assessment numerous ways which are outlined below -- through **Tuesday, August 5**.

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<https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/2016assessmentsurvey>

2) Dynamic Learning Map (DLM) Assessment Participation Delayed

Below is an important memo outlining our decision to delay participating in the DLM assessment until spring of 2016 at the earliest.

[Dynamic Learning Map Participation Delayed Memo](#)

3) REMINDER - Legally required K-12 Teacher and Administrator Evaluation Systems Survey for the 2013-14 School Year needs to be completed by Friday, August 1, 2014

Michigan law requires public school districts to evaluate all teachers and administrators annually. The Michigan Department of Education (MDE) collects information each year about the teacher and administrator evaluation systems in use during that school year through the K-12 Teacher and Administrator Evaluation Systems survey. It is required that districts complete this survey annually.

The K-12 Teacher and Administrator Evaluation Systems survey for the 2013-14 school year will be available until **Friday, August 1, 2014**.

The survey should be completed only once for each district and is intended to be completed by the district superintendent, assistant superintendent, district-level human resources, or other district-level designee. If you would like to review the survey before completing it, you can download and review the survey at <http://www.michigan.gov/educatorevaluations>.

To complete the K-12 Teacher and Administrator Evaluation Systems survey, please

visit: <http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/K12TeacherandAdministratorEvaluationSystems2014>

Have Other Questions?

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

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

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