Exceeding 1% Cap on Participation in State Alternate Assessment Intermediate School District (ISD) Summary Justification Form FY 2023-2024

ISD Name: Eastern Upper Peninsula ISD

All intermediate school districts must complete this summary form regarding the percentage of students assessed using Michigan's alternate assessment (MI-Access). This includes justification forms from member districts/public school academies (PSA) that assessed more than 1% of students in the spring of 2023 using MI-Access.

Data

Below are the 1% Participation Rates for Eastern Upper Peninsula ISD:

Content Area	Total Tested	Alternate Tested	Spring 2023 Participation Rate
English Language Arts	3246	65	2
Mathematics	3246	64	2
Science	1392	20	1.4
Social Studies	1385	15	1.1

Data	Total
Number of member districts/PSAs including the ISD	19
Number of member districts/PSAs including the ISD (only if the ISD runs internal programs) that assessed more than 1% of all students tested in the spring of 2023 using MI-Access (in grades 3-8 and 11)	11

Technical Assistance and Professional Development

Tier I: In the winter of 2023, MDE provided feedback to each ISD, providing recommendations regarding technical assistance or professional development for their constituent districts. ISDs responded to this feedback in a variety of ways and carried out support to districts as appropriate. In the first table below, outline the general technical assistance or professional development provided to **all** districts regarding state assessment decisions or better targeting instruction. Specific or targeted technical assistance provided to a small groups of districts to address specific concerns should not be listed here, but rather in the next section (Tier II/III).

Date Occurred or Planned	Summary of Technical Assistance and/or Professional Development
01/03/2023	January 2023 Regional Special Education Newsletter - information provided re: MDE online training and written guidance - links provideded include: https://mdoe.state.mi.us/mdedocuments/AssessmentSelectionGuidelinesTraining/index.html https://mdoe.state.mi.us/MDEDocuments/InteractiveDecision-MakingTool/index.html
02/01/2023	February 2023 Regional Special Education Newsletter - information provided regarding MDE tools to support state assessment selection - links provided include: https://www.michigan.gov/-/media/Project/Websites/mde/2020/03/05 /Should_My_Student_Take_the_Alternate_Assessment.pdf? rev=cac5374f0953407f8fc21b9c61b8b6d9 https://mdoe.state.mi.us/MDEDocuments/InteractiveDecision-MakingTool/index.html Additional information provided regarding State Assessment Accommodations including: https://www.michigan.gov/mde/-/media/Project/Websites/mde/OEAA/Spotlight-Newsletter/Spotlight-01-19-2023.pdf? rev=276c434b67844370b5f34a4cc3c25b3e&hash=39E1D3F0A23AE89D391FE1C0AFE2B00A https://www.michigan.gov/-/media/Project/Websites/mde/OEAA/Accommodations-and-Supports/Michigan_Accommodations_Manualfinal.pdf https://www.michigan.gov/mde/services/student-assessment/wida-assessments/student-supports-accommodations/recording-and-tracking-resources
01/02/2023	Starting in the 2020-2021 school year and every year since, the electronic IEP system used by the majority of local districts includes a link to the MDE interactive tool so IEP teams can go directly from the IEP document to the tool during meetings.

Tier II/III: MDE's response to ISDs in 2023 (based on 2022 data) provided specific recommendations for each LEA, based on their participation rate or other information provided on Justification Forms. Please outline targeted assistance provided (or planned) to member districts following MDE's recommendation. Please include assistance provided that may have exceeded MDE recommendations.

Member District	Date Occurred or Planned	Summary of Technical Assistance and/or Professional Development
Engadine Consolidated Schools	06/15/2023	A summary of district level work to support appropriate state assessment selection was provided by the ISD assigned special education supervisor via the districts annual Indicators of Program Effectiveness Rubric submission. The Information provided regarding support is as follows:Special Education newsletters are reviewed monthly by the SE supervisor with SE staff and administration at SE staff meetings. The January 2023 special education newsletter reviewed State Assessment Selection with links to online training modules and the Interactive Decision Making Tool for teams to utilizeOn December 21, 2022, the SE supervisor led a special education workshop in which in depth learning took place on IEP Implementation, processes, procedures, Discipline, Self Determination, Course of Study, Personal Curriculum, and Assessment SelectionIn the February 2023 special education newsletter, useful information was discussed and reviewed by the SE supervisor regarding a flowchart for determining which assessment should be used for a student. This and the Spotlight Newsletter contained helpful links and information regarding tracking tools and documenting appropriate accommodationsThe November 3, 2022 included information about the 1% Cap Justification forms. ECS superintendent completed this in Catamaran by the December due dateThe district utilizes a Master List of NWEA Tests per Class, K-12 which includes information on accommodations and ensuring appropriate attention to the assessment that should be administered per the IEP or 504The district guidance counselor utilizes a spreadsheet of student assessments taken and their scoresECS staff utilize the link to MDE's Interactive Decision Making Tool in Illuminate.
Tahquamenon Area Schools	10/23/2023	The district was required to submit an analysis of RDA data that included state assessment selection data. The district submission on October 23, 2023 indicated the following:Our team feels our strength is identifying the correct assessment for our students. We consider all pieces of the flowchart, we talk with parents, we talk with teachers, we look at data. Our number of MI-Access students in each grade from this report is one student in each grade level measured by RDA-R The measurement tool is not designed for small groupsOur weakest area is, by far, the proficiency of students on the Statewide assessments. According to our data review of students that tested, we have only tested 1 student with the MI-Access in 4th grade. He has a history of Early On services, ECDD and cognitive impairment. He is tested appropriately. The other 6 students took the M-STEP. We also had only 1 student take the MI-Access in 8th grade. Also, with a history of cognitive impairment from a young age. We had 3 others take the MSTEP. Our students are tested appropriately.
Sault Ste. Marie Area Schools	10/11/2023	The EUPISD SE monitor met with the new special education supervisor assigned to SAPS on October 11, 2023. The district's state assessment selection data was reviewed across multiple years. Education and resources were provided related to state assessment selection including tools to support the appropriate selection for students. The SE supervisor has provided resources to staff via emails and the SE PLC process.

What resources or support does the ISD need from MDE to continue to provide targeted assistance or professional development to member districts on the topic of alternate assessment participation?

The data and resources provided by MDE have been very helpful in supporting districts. In many of our districts the small n size is very impactful in the percentage. That said - the targeted efforts over the past few years have helped us clear up some misconceptions and have resulted in reduced mis-selection in some districts. One suggestion - it would be great if the online training was via MiVirtual to allow for a provider to earn SCECHs for completion.

Assurances

Please provide the following assurances.

The ISD has provided or will provide targeted assistance to member districts/PSAs that have been flagged for disproportionality for participation in the alternate assessment as outlined on the previous page.

② Yes ○ No

Targeted assistance and professional development include an emphasis on member districts/PSAs using the State assessment selection guidance documents and online trainings.

③ Yes ○ No

Assessment selection is an IEP Team decision and will not be overridden by administrative or procedural decisions.

④ Yes ○ No

Member District: Eastern Upper Peninsula ISD

The Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) places a 1% cap on alternate assessment (MI-Access) participation at the state level. Member districts that contribute to the state exceeding its participation cap must submit information to the Intermediate School District (ISD) justifying the need to exceed the 1% threshold. In addition, ISDs that run programs (functioning as a member district) must complete the form as a member district.

Each ISD collects information from member districts to submit to the state.

Data

Below are the 1% Participation Rates for Eastern Upper Peninsula ISD:

Content Area	Total Tested	Alternate Tested	Spring 2023 Participation Rate
English Language Arts	27	18	66.7
Mathematics	28	18	64.3
Science	10	7	70
Social Studies	8	5	62.5

☑ By checking this box, the user acknowledges the data in the above table can be verified against the district level data provided in the ISD level report.

Contributing Factors

⊙ Yes O No

Select the option that applies:

O Fewer than 5 students took MI-Access. • 5 or more students took MI-Access.

⊙ Yes O No

Utilizing the Alternate Assessment data (page 1), complete the following table.

Assessment Data Table	Number
Total number of students taking spring summative assessments in grade 3-8 and 11 only (M-STEP + PSAT Grade 8 + SAT + MI-Access).	37
Total Number of students tested with MI-Access in grades 3-8 and 11.	26
Students from outside the district placed in district's regional center-based program by IEP team (do not include students who are residents of the district or who have enrolled through school of choice processes).	0
Adjusted Total	37
Adjusted Participation Number	26
Adjusted Rate	70.3%

2024 Projected Participation Rate

Projected Participation Rate 2023	Number
District's Projected Participation Rate for 2023 (per the response on the 2022 alternate assessment projected participation form)	65.5%%

Projected Participation Rate 2024	Number
Total number of students enrolled in grades 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 11 with or without an IEP	37
Total number of students whose IEPs designate MI-Access for state summative assessments in any content area	26
Projected Participation Rate for 2024	70.3%

Member districts are expected to provide professional development and technical assistance to staff to ensure high expectations are being held for all students, including students with the most significant cognitive disabilities. This includes reviewing local data, IEPs, student outcomes, and ISD feedback as part of that process.

Did the district provide professional development to new and existing staff regarding the definition of "Students with the Most Significant Cognitive Disabilities"?

⊙ Yes O No

Did the district use a formal process to review and record decisions made by IEP Teams regarding assessment selection?

⊙ Yes O No

Did the district use outcomes data (current and past results from MI-Access, district level data, progress monitoring data, and other formative classroom data) for the purposes of targeting instruction for students who took and are designated to take MI-Access?

Did the district receive feedback on the participation rate for students taking MI-Access with recommended action from the ISD as a result of the submitted justification forms last year (this may have come later in the spring)?

⊙ Yes O No

Please outline the professional development and technical assistance provided to staff regarding targeting student instruction and assessment selection decisions in the table below. This should include activity from January 1, 2023 to current day, as well as any planned or scheduled activity that is yet to be carried out for this school year.

Audience	Topics and Method of Training	Date	Planned/Completed
	Data review of students, review selection tool and definitions embedded	01/11/2024	Completed

Resources and Technical Assistance

Does the member district require additional resources and technical assistance from the ISD or MDE to ensure students are being assessed using the most appropriate state summative assessment tool based on the state guidelines?

O Yes O No

Assurances

• Yes O No

Please provide the following assurances.
The member district IEP Team members follow the state guidelines for participation in the alternate assessment.
● Yes O No
The member district allows IEP Team members to decide which students take an alternate assessment.
The member district addresses any issues of disproportionality in statewide assessment.

Member District: Bois Blanc Pines School District

The Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) places a 1% cap on alternate assessment (MI-Access) participation at the state level. Member districts that contribute to the state exceeding its participation cap must submit information to the Intermediate School District (ISD) justifying the need to exceed the 1% threshold. In addition, ISDs that run programs (functioning as a member district) must complete the form as a member district.

Each ISD collects information from member districts to submit to the state.

Data

Below are the 1% Participation Rates for Bois Blanc Pines School District:

Content Area	Total Tested	Alternate Tested	Spring 2023 Participation Rate
English Language Arts	3	1	33.3
Mathematics	3	1	33.3
Science	1	0	0
Social Studies	1	0	0

☑ By checking this box, the user acknowledges the data in the above table can be verified against the district level data provided in the ISD level report.

Contributing Factors

Did the district test fewer than 500 students total using statewide assessments?

• Yes O No

Select the option that applies:

• Fewer than 5 students took MI-Access. • O 5 or more students took MI-Access.

Please describe other justification:

No. The district is a one-room school on an island. There are three students. One is identified to take the MI-Access assessment by the IEP team.

2024 Projected Participation Rate

Projected Participation Rate 2023	Number
District's Projected Participation Rate for 2023 (per the response on the 2022 alternate assessment projected participation form)	%

Projected Participation Rate 2024	Number
Total number of students enrolled in grades 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 11 with or without an IEP	3
Total number of students whose IEPs designate MI-Access for state summative assessments in any content area	1
Projected Participation Rate for 2024	33.3%

Member districts are expected to provide professional development and technical assistance to staff to ensure high expectations are being held for all students, including students with the most significant cognitive disabilities. This includes reviewing local data, IEPs, student outcomes, and ISD feedback as part of that process.

Did the district provide professional development to new and existing staff regarding the definition of "Students with the Most Significant Cognitive Disabilities"?

Did the district use a formal process to review and record decisions made by IEP Teams regarding assessment selection?

⊙ Yes O No

Did the district use outcomes data (current and past results from MI-Access, district level data, progress monitoring data, and other formative classroom data) for the purposes of targeting instruction for students who took and are designated to take MI-Access?

⊙ Yes O No

Did the district receive feedback on the participation rate for students taking MI-Access with recommended action from the ISD as a result of the submitted justification forms last year (this may have come later in the spring)?

⊙ Yes O No

Please outline the professional development and technical assistance provided to staff regarding targeting student instruction and assessment selection decisions in the table below. This should include activity from January 1, 2023 to current day, as well as any planned or scheduled activity that is yet to be carried out for this school year.

Audience	Topics and Method of Training	Date	Planned/Completed
Teacher	MVU: Teaching Students with ADHD	02/14/2023	Completed
Teacher	MVU: Teacher+ Student Engagement & Ownership	05/30/2023	Completed
Teacher	MVU: Teacher + Professional Collaboration & Communication	05/22/2023	Completed
Teacher	MVU: Creating Classroom Centers	03/19/2023	Completed
Teacher	MVU: Essential Instructional Practices in Early Literacy: K-3 Essential 1	02/24/2023	Completed
Teacher	Technical assistance-ISD staff		Planned

Resources and Technical Assistance

Does the member district require additional resources and technical assistance from the IS or MDE to ensure students are being assessed using the most appropriate state summative assessment tool based on the state guidelines?
O Yes • No
Assurances
Please provide the following assurances.
The member district IEP Team members follow the state guidelines for participation in the alternate assessment.
● Yes O No
The member district allows IEP Team members to decide which students take an alternate assessment.
The member district addresses any issues of disproportionality in statewide assessment.

⊙ Yes O No

Member District: Brimley Area Schools

The Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) places a 1% cap on alternate assessment (MI-Access) participation at the state level. Member districts that contribute to the state exceeding its participation cap must submit information to the Intermediate School District (ISD) justifying the need to exceed the 1% threshold. In addition, ISDs that run programs (functioning as a member district) must complete the form as a member district.

Each ISD collects information from member districts to submit to the state.

Data

Below are the 1% Participation Rates for Brimley Area Schools:

Content Area	Total Tested	Alternate Tested	Spring 2023 Participation Rate
English Language Arts	258	4	1.6
Mathematics	258	4	1.6
Science	96	1	1
Social Studies	96	1	1

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Contributing Factors

Did the district test fewer than 500 students total using statewide assessments?

• Yes O No

Select the option that applies:

• Fewer than 5 students took MI-Access. • O 5 or more students took MI-Access.

Please describe other justification:

None of our students who took the MI-Access test attended a center-bsed program and the district does not operate a center-based program.

2024 Projected Participation Rate

Projected Participation Rate 2023	Number
District's Projected Participation Rate for 2023 (per the response on the 2022 alternate assessment projected participation form)	1.5%%

Projected Participation Rate 2024	Number
Total number of students enrolled in grades 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 11 with or without an IEP	261
Total number of students whose IEPs designate MI-Access for state summative assessments in any content area	3
Projected Participation Rate for 2024	1.1%

Member districts are expected to provide professional development and technical assistance to staff to ensure high expectations are being held for all students, including students with the most significant cognitive disabilities. This includes reviewing local data, IEPs, student outcomes, and ISD feedback as part of that process.

Did the district provide professional development to new and existing staff regarding the definition of "Students with the Most Significant Cognitive Disabilities"?

Did the district use a formal process to review and record decisions made by IEP Teams regarding assessment selection?

⊙ Yes O No

Did the district use outcomes data (current and past results from MI-Access, district level data, progress monitoring data, and other formative classroom data) for the purposes of targeting instruction for students who took and are designated to take MI-Access?

⊙ Yes O No

Did the district receive feedback on the participation rate for students taking MI-Access with recommended action from the ISD as a result of the submitted justification forms last year (this may have come later in the spring)?

⊙ Yes O No

Please outline the professional development and technical assistance provided to staff regarding targeting student instruction and assessment selection decisions in the table below. This should include activity from January 1, 2023 to current day, as well as any planned or scheduled activity that is yet to be carried out for this school year.

Audience	Topics and Method of Training	Date	Planned/Completed
Special Education Faculty and Administrators	Special Education Meetings held monthly with supervisor. Included review on state assessment selection and data. January 2023 and February 2023 newsletter presented this information.	02/28/2023	Completed

Resources and Technical Assistance

Does the member district require additional resources and technical assistance from the IS or MDE to ensure students are being assessed using the most appropriate state summative assessment tool based on the state guidelines?
O Yes • No
Assurances
Please provide the following assurances.
The member district IEP Team members follow the state guidelines for participation in the alternate assessment.
● Yes O No
The member district allows IEP Team members to decide which students take an alternate assessment.
The member district addresses any issues of disproportionality in statewide assessment.

⊙ Yes O No

Member District: DeTour Arts and Technology Academy

The Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) places a 1% cap on alternate assessment (MI-Access) participation at the state level. Member districts that contribute to the state exceeding its participation cap must submit information to the Intermediate School District (ISD) justifying the need to exceed the 1% threshold. In addition, ISDs that run programs (functioning as a member district) must complete the form as a member district.

Each ISD collects information from member districts to submit to the state.

Data

Below are the 1% Participation Rates for DeTour Arts and Technology Academy:

Content Area	Total Tested	Alternate Tested	Spring 2023 Participation Rate
English Language Arts	44	1	2.3
Mathematics	43	0	0
Science	15	0	0
Social Studies	15	0	0

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Contributing Factors

Did the district test fewer than 500 students total using statewide assessments?

Select the option that applies:

• Fewer than 5 students took MI-Access. • O 5 or more students took MI-Access.

Please describe other justification:

We are in a very small and rural educational community in the Eastern U.P. and our numbers are often skewed due to small testing sample. We currently have no students in the district that will doing the MI-Access testing for Spring 2023-2024

2024 Projected Participation Rate

Projected Participation Rate 2023	Number
District's Projected Participation Rate for 2023 (per the response on the 2022 alternate assessment projected participation form)	1.2%%

Projected Participation Rate 2024	Number
Total number of students enrolled in grades 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 11 with or without an IEP	52
Total number of students whose IEPs designate MI-Access for state summative assessments in any content area	0
Projected Participation Rate for 2024	0%

Member districts are expected to provide professional development and technical assistance to staff to ensure high expectations are being held for all students, including students with the most significant cognitive disabilities. This includes reviewing local data, IEPs, student outcomes, and ISD feedback as part of that process.

Did the district provide professional development to new and existing staff regarding the definition of "Students with the Most Significant Cognitive Disabilities"?

O Yes O No

Did the district use a formal process to review and record decisions made by IEP Teams regarding assessment selection?

⊙ Yes O No

Did the district use outcomes data (current and past results from MI-Access, district level data, progress monitoring data, and other formative classroom data) for the purposes of targeting instruction for students who took and are designated to take MI-Access?

⊙ Yes O No

Did the district receive feedback on the participation rate for students taking MI-Access with recommended action from the ISD as a result of the submitted justification forms last year (this may have come later in the spring)?

Please outline the professional development and technical assistance provided to staff regarding targeting student instruction and assessment selection decisions in the table below. This should include activity from January 1, 2023 to current day, as well as any planned or scheduled activity that is yet to be carried out for this school year.

Audience	Topics and Method of Training	Date	Planned/Completed
	We had provided training in the previous Professional Devlopment Session Fall 22-23	08/31/2022	Completed

Resources and Technical Assistance

Does the member district require additional resources and technical assistance from the ISD or MDE to ensure students are being assessed using the most appropriate state summative assessment tool based on the state guidelines?

O Yes O No

Assurances

• Yes O No

Please provide the following assurances.
The member district IEP Team members follow the state guidelines for participation in the alternate assessment.
● Yes O No
The member district allows IEP Team members to decide which students take an alternate assessment.
The member district addresses any issues of disproportionality in statewide assessment.

Member District: Engadine Consolidated Schools

The Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) places a 1% cap on alternate assessment (MI-Access) participation at the state level. Member districts that contribute to the state exceeding its participation cap must submit information to the Intermediate School District (ISD) justifying the need to exceed the 1% threshold. In addition, ISDs that run programs (functioning as a member district) must complete the form as a member district.

Each ISD collects information from member districts to submit to the state.

Data

Below are the 1% Participation Rates for Engadine Consolidated Schools:

Content Area	Total Tested	Alternate Tested	Spring 2023 Participation Rate	
English Language Arts	158	4	2.5	
Mathematics	156	5	3.2	
Science	85	1	1.2	
Social Studies	83	0	0	

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Contributing Factors

Did the district test fewer than 500 students total using statewide assessments?

Select the option that applies:

• Fewer than 5 students took MI-Access. • O 5 or more students took MI-Access.

Please describe other justification:

The district does not operate a center based program. The region has a center based program that 3 students from the district are part of.

2024 Projected Participation Rate

Projected Participation Rate 2023	Number
District's Projected Participation Rate for 2023 (per the response on the 2022 alternate assessment projected participation form)	2.8%%

Projected Participation Rate 2024	Number
Total number of students enrolled in grades 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 11 with or without an IEP	156
Total number of students whose IEPs designate MI-Access for state summative assessments in any content area	3
Projected Participation Rate for 2024	1.9%

Member districts are expected to provide professional development and technical assistance to staff to ensure high expectations are being held for all students, including students with the most significant cognitive disabilities. This includes reviewing local data, IEPs, student outcomes, and ISD feedback as part of that process.

Did the district provide professional development to new and existing staff regarding the definition of "Students with the Most Significant Cognitive Disabilities"?

⊙ Yes O No

Did the district use a formal process to review and record decisions made by IEP Teams regarding assessment selection?

⊙ Yes O No

Did the district use outcomes data (current and past results from MI-Access, district level data, progress monitoring data, and other formative classroom data) for the purposes of targeting instruction for students who took and are designated to take MI-Access?

Did the district receive feedback on the participation rate for students taking MI-Access with recommended action from the ISD as a result of the submitted justification forms last year (this may have come later in the spring)?

⊙ Yes O No

Please outline the professional development and technical assistance provided to staff regarding targeting student instruction and assessment selection decisions in the table below. This should include activity from January 1, 2023 to current day, as well as any planned or scheduled activity that is yet to be carried out for this school year.

Audience	Topics and Method of Training	Date	Planned/Completed
	IEPs and General Education Staff Overview	11/01/2023	Completed

Resources and Technical Assistance

Does the member district require additional resources and technical assistance from the ISD or MDE to ensure students are being assessed using the most appropriate state summative assessment tool based on the state guidelines?

O Yes O No

Assurances

• Yes O No

Please provide the following assurances.
The member district IEP Team members follow the state guidelines for participation in the alternate assessment.
● Yes O No
The member district allows IEP Team members to decide which students take an alternate assessment.
The member district addresses any issues of disproportionality in statewide assessment.

Member District: Les Cheneaux Community Schools

The Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) places a 1% cap on alternate assessment (MI-Access) participation at the state level. Member districts that contribute to the state exceeding its participation cap must submit information to the Intermediate School District (ISD) justifying the need to exceed the 1% threshold. In addition, ISDs that run programs (functioning as a member district) must complete the form as a member district.

Each ISD collects information from member districts to submit to the state.

Data

Below are the 1% Participation Rates for Les Cheneaux Community Schools:

Content Area	Total Tested	Alternate Tested	Spring 2023 Participation Rate	
English Language Arts	113	2	1.8	
Mathematics	113	2	1.8	
Science	43	0	0	
Social Studies	43	0	0	

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Contributing Factors

Di	d	the	district	test	fewer	than	500	students	total	using	statewide	assessmer	າts?

• Yes O No

Select the option that applies:

• Fewer than 5 students took MI-Access. • O 5 or more students took MI-Access.

Please describe other justification:

District did not host any students outside of the district.

2024 Projected Participation Rate

Projected Participation Rate 2023	Number
District's Projected Participation Rate for 2023 (per the response on the 2022 alternate assessment projected participation form)	1.8%%

Projected Participation Rate 2024	Number
Total number of students enrolled in grades 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 11 with or without an IEP	134
Total number of students whose IEPs designate MI-Access for state summative assessments in any content area	4
Projected Participation Rate for 2024	3%

Member districts are expected to provide professional development and technical assistance to staff to ensure high expectations are being held for all students, including students with the most significant cognitive disabilities. This includes reviewing local data, IEPs, student outcomes, and ISD feedback as part of that process.

Did the district provide professional development to new and existing staff regarding the definition of "Students with the Most Significant Cognitive Disabilities"?

⊙ Yes O No

Did the district use a formal process to review and record decisions made by IEP Teams regarding assessment selection?

⊙ Yes O No

Did the district use outcomes data (current and past results from MI-Access, district level data, progress monitoring data, and other formative classroom data) for the purposes of targeting instruction for students who took and are designated to take MI-Access?

Did the district receive feedback on the participation rate for students taking MI-Access with recommended action from the ISD as a result of the submitted justification forms last year (this may have come later in the spring)?

⊙ Yes O No

Please outline the professional development and technical assistance provided to staff regarding targeting student instruction and assessment selection decisions in the table below. This should include activity from January 1, 2023 to current day, as well as any planned or scheduled activity that is yet to be carried out for this school year.

Audience	Topics and Method of Training	Date	Planned/Completed
	Special Ed. staff/supervisor(s) went over SE policies and procedures.	08/28/2023	Completed

Resources and Technical Assistance

Does the member district require additional resources and technical assistance from the ISD or MDE to ensure students are being assessed using the most appropriate state summative assessment tool based on the state guidelines?

O Yes O No

Assurances

• Yes O No

Please provide the following assurances.
The member district IEP Team members follow the state guidelines for participation in the alternate assessment.
● Yes O No
The member district allows IEP Team members to decide which students take an alternate assessment.
● Yes O No
The member district addresses any issues of disproportionality in statewide assessment.

Member District: Moran Township School District

The Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) places a 1% cap on alternate assessment (MI-Access) participation at the state level. Member districts that contribute to the state exceeding its participation cap must submit information to the Intermediate School District (ISD) justifying the need to exceed the 1% threshold. In addition, ISDs that run programs (functioning as a member district) must complete the form as a member district.

Each ISD collects information from member districts to submit to the state.

Data

Below are the 1% Participation Rates for Moran Township School District:

Content Area	Total Tested	Alternate Tested	Spring 2023 Participation Rate
English Language Arts	60	1	1.7
Mathematics	60	1	1.7
Science	16	0	0
Social Studies	16	0	0

☑ By checking this box, the user acknowledges the data in the above table can be verified against the district level data provided in the ISD level report.

Contributing Factors

Did the district test fewer than 500 students total using statewide assessments?

• Yes O No

Select the option that applies:

• Fewer than 5 students took MI-Access. • O 5 or more students took MI-Access.

Please describe other justification:

We have less than 100 students. With 1 student taking the Mi-Access, that one student brought our percentage above 1%.

2024 Projected Participation Rate

Projected Participation Rate 2023	Number
District's Projected Participation Rate for 2023 (per the response on the 2022 alternate assessment projected participation form)	1.7%%

Projected Participation Rate 2024	Number
Total number of students enrolled in grades 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 11 with or without an IEP	60
Total number of students whose IEPs designate MI-Access for state summative assessments in any content area	1
Projected Participation Rate for 2024	1.7%

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Did the district provide professional development to new and existing staff regarding the definition of "Students with the Most Significant Cognitive Disabilities"?

Did the district use a formal process to review and record decisions made by IEP Teams regarding assessment selection?

⊙ Yes O No

Did the district use outcomes data (current and past results from MI-Access, district level data, progress monitoring data, and other formative classroom data) for the purposes of targeting instruction for students who took and are designated to take MI-Access?

⊙ Yes O No

Did the district receive feedback on the participation rate for students taking MI-Access with recommended action from the ISD as a result of the submitted justification forms last year (this may have come later in the spring)?

⊙ Yes O No

Please outline the professional development and technical assistance provided to staff regarding targeting student instruction and assessment selection decisions in the table below. This should include activity from January 1, 2023 to current day, as well as any planned or scheduled activity that is yet to be carried out for this school year.

Audience	Topics and Method of Training	Date	Planned/Completed
Staff	In-house professional development supports targeted instruction and strategies for students with and without an IEP. SAT process in-house leads to a formal IEP process. Assessment decisions are made as a team using the decision making tool provided by the EUPISD.	09/20/2023	Completed

Resources and Technical Assistance

Does the member district require additional resources and technical assistance from the IS or MDE to ensure students are being assessed using the most appropriate state summative assessment tool based on the state guidelines?
O Yes • No
Assurances
Please provide the following assurances.
The member district IEP Team members follow the state guidelines for participation in the alternate assessment.
● Yes O No
The member district allows IEP Team members to decide which students take an alternate assessment.
The member district addresses any issues of disproportionality in statewide assessment.

⊙ Yes O No

Member District: Ojibwe Charter School

The Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) places a 1% cap on alternate assessment (MI-Access) participation at the state level. Member districts that contribute to the state exceeding its participation cap must submit information to the Intermediate School District (ISD) justifying the need to exceed the 1% threshold. In addition, ISDs that run programs (functioning as a member district) must complete the form as a member district.

Each ISD collects information from member districts to submit to the state.

Data

Below are the 1% Participation Rates for Ojibwe Charter School:

Content Area	Total Tested	Alternate Tested	Spring 2023 Participation Rate
English Language Arts	68	3	4.4
Mathematics	68	3	4.4
Science	25	1	4
Social Studies	25	1	4

☑ By checking this box, the user acknowledges the data in the above table can be verified against the district level data provided in the ISD level report.

Contributing Factors

Dic	l the	district	test	fewer	than	500	students	total	using	statewide	assessments	; ;

• Yes O No

Select the option that applies:

• Fewer than 5 students took MI-Access. • O 5 or more students took MI-Access.

Please describe other justification:

n/a

2024 Projected Participation Rate

Projected Participation Rate 2023	Number
District's Projected Participation Rate for 2023 (per the response on the 2022 alternate assessment projected participation form)	3.7%%

Projected Participation Rate 2024	Number
Total number of students enrolled in grades 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 11 with or without an IEP	68
Total number of students whose IEPs designate MI-Access for state summative assessments in any content area	3
Projected Participation Rate for 2024	4.4%

Member districts are expected to provide professional development and technical assistance to staff to ensure high expectations are being held for all students, including students with the most significant cognitive disabilities. This includes reviewing local data, IEPs, student outcomes, and ISD feedback as part of that process.

Did the district provide professional development to new and existing staff regarding the definition of "Students with the Most Significant Cognitive Disabilities"?

⊙ Yes O No

Did the district use a formal process to review and record decisions made by IEP Teams regarding assessment selection?

⊙ Yes O No

Did the district use outcomes data (current and past results from MI-Access, district level data, progress monitoring data, and other formative classroom data) for the purposes of targeting instruction for students who took and are designated to take MI-Access?

Did the district receive feedback on the participation rate for students taking MI-Access with recommended action from the ISD as a result of the submitted justification forms last year (this may have come later in the spring)?

O Yes O No

Please outline the professional development and technical assistance provided to staff regarding targeting student instruction and assessment selection decisions in the table below. This should include activity from January 1, 2023 to current day, as well as any planned or scheduled activity that is yet to be carried out for this school year.

Audience	Topics and Method of Training	Date	Planned/Completed
·	Went through the tool to determine Mi-Access eligible student participation based on student need.		Completed

Resources and Technical Assistance

Does the member district require additional resources and technical assistance from the ISD or MDE to ensure students are being assessed using the most appropriate state summative assessment tool based on the state guidelines?

O Yes O No

Assurances

• Yes O No

Please provide the following assurances.
The member district IEP Team members follow the state guidelines for participation in the alternate assessment.
● Yes O No
The member district allows IEP Team members to decide which students take an alternate assessment.
● Yes O No
The member district addresses any issues of disproportionality in statewide assessment.

Member District Exceeding 1% Cap Justification Form FY 2023-2024

Member District: Sault Ste. Marie Area Schools

The Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) places a 1% cap on alternate assessment (MI-Access) participation at the state level. Member districts that contribute to the state exceeding its participation cap must submit information to the Intermediate School District (ISD) justifying the need to exceed the 1% threshold. In addition, ISDs that run programs (functioning as a member district) must complete the form as a member district.

Each ISD collects information from member districts to submit to the state.

Data

Below are the 1% Participation Rates for Sault Ste. Marie Area Schools:

Content Area	Total Tested	Alternate Tested	Spring 2023 Participation Rate
English Language Arts	945	15	1.6
Mathematics	947	14	1.5
Science	487	5	1
Social Studies	484	3	0.6

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Contributing Factors

Did the district test fewer than 500 students total using statewide assessments?

O Yes O No

Did the district operate a center-based program or regional collaborative for students with the most significant cognitive disabilities (serving students from in and outside of the district within a region or ISD)?

O Yes O No

Please describe other justification:

We use the MDE assessment selection tool and will continue to do so to ensure the appropriate assessment is selected for each student.

2024 Projected Participation Rate

Projected Participation Rate 2023	Number
District's Projected Participation Rate for 2023 (per the response on the 2022 alternate assessment projected participation form)	1.3%%

Using students' IEP information, Michigan School Data System (MSDS), and other current data, complete the following table to calculate the 2024 projected participation rate.

Projected Participation Rate 2024	Number
Total number of students enrolled in grades 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 11 with or without an IEP	886
Total number of students whose IEPs designate MI-Access for state summative assessments in any content area	12
Projected Participation Rate for 2024	1.4%

Local Plan

Member districts are expected to provide professional development and technical assistance to staff to ensure high expectations are being held for all students, including students with the most significant cognitive disabilities. This includes reviewing local data, IEPs, student outcomes, and ISD feedback as part of that process.

Did the district provide professional development to new and existing staff regarding the definition of "Students with the Most Significant Cognitive Disabilities"?

Did the district use a formal process to review and record decisions made by IEP Teams regarding assessment selection?

⊙ Yes O No

Did the district use outcomes data (current and past results from MI-Access, district level data, progress monitoring data, and other formative classroom data) for the purposes of targeting instruction for students who took and are designated to take MI-Access?

⊙ Yes O No

Did the district receive feedback on the participation rate for students taking MI-Access with recommended action from the ISD as a result of the submitted justification forms last year (this may have come later in the spring)?

⊙ Yes O No

Please outline the professional development and technical assistance provided to staff regarding targeting student instruction and assessment selection decisions in the table below. This should include activity from January 1, 2023 to current day, as well as any planned or scheduled activity that is yet to be carried out for this school year.

Audience	Topics and Method of Training	Date	Planned/Completed
Special Education Teachers	Professional Learning Community RE: supplementary aids and services (including accommodations), specially designed instruction	11/20/2023	Completed
Special Education Teachers	Work group RE: assessment selection using MDE assessment selection tool	01/08/2024	Planned

Resources and Technical Assistance

Does the member district require additional resources and technical assistance from the IS or MDE to ensure students are being assessed using the most appropriate state summative assessment tool based on the state guidelines?
O Yes • No
Assurances
Please provide the following assurances.
The member district IEP Team members follow the state guidelines for participation in the alternate assessment.
● Yes O No
The member district allows IEP Team members to decide which students take an alternate assessment.
The member district addresses any issues of disproportionality in statewide assessment.

⊙ Yes O No

Member District Exceeding 1% Cap Justification Form FY 2023-2024

Member District: Tahquamenon Area Schools

The Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) places a 1% cap on alternate assessment (MI-Access) participation at the state level. Member districts that contribute to the state exceeding its participation cap must submit information to the Intermediate School District (ISD) justifying the need to exceed the 1% threshold. In addition, ISDs that run programs (functioning as a member district) must complete the form as a member district.

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Data

Below are the 1% Participation Rates for Tahquamenon Area Schools:

Content Area	Total Tested	Alternate Tested	Spring 2023 Participation Rate
English Language Arts	263	11	4.2
Mathematics	263	11	4.2
Science	103	3	2.9
Social Studies	103	3	2.9

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Contributing Factors

D	id	the	district	test	fewer	than	500	students	total	using	statewide	assessmen	ts?

• Yes O No

Select the option that applies:

O Fewer than 5 students took MI-Access.

• 5 or more students took MI-Access.

Did the district operate a center-based program or regional collaborative for students with the most significant cognitive disabilities (serving students from in and outside of the district within a region or ISD)?

Yes O No

Utilizing the Alternate Assessment data (page 1), complete the following table.

Assessment Data Table	Number
Total number of students taking spring summative assessments in grade 3-8 and 11 only (M-STEP + PSAT Grade 8 + SAT + MI-Access).	300
Total Number of students tested with MI-Access in grades 3-8 and 11.	10
Students from outside the district placed in district's regional center-based program by IEP team (do not include students who are residents of the district or who have enrolled through school of choice processes).	0
Adjusted Total	300
Adjusted Participation Number	10
Adjusted Rate	3.3%

Please describe other justification:

All students taking the MI-Access have special education eligibilty for Cognitive Impairment. They all receive services from a certified CI special education teacher. Our district beleives that all students, even those from a self-contained setting should be included in the general education setting. All students spend time in general education as well as the modci classroom. Overall, our ModCI population are the only students taking the alternative assessment.

We also had a huge influx of new students with disabilites. Adding a total of 12 new students with IEPs to a population of only 510 in our entire school.

2024 Projected Participation Rate

Projected Participation Rate 2023	Number
District's Projected Participation Rate for 2023 (per the response on the 2022 alternate assessment projected participation form)	3.2%%

Using students' IEP information, Michigan School Data System (MSDS), and other current data, complete the following table to calculate the 2024 projected participation rate.

Projected Participation Rate 2024	Number
Total number of students enrolled in grades 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 11 with or without an IEP	357
Total number of students whose IEPs designate MI-Access for state summative assessments in any content area	10
Projected Participation Rate for 2024	2.8%

Local Plan

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Did the district provide professional development to new and existing staff regarding the definition of "Students with the Most Significant Cognitive Disabilities"? O Yes O No Did the district use a formal process to review and record decisions made by IEP Teams regarding assessment selection? O Yes O No Did the district use outcomes data (current and past results from MI-Access, district level data, progress monitoring data, and other formative classroom data) for the purposes of targeting instruction for students who took and are designated to take MI-Access? O Yes O No Did the district receive feedback on the participation rate for students taking MI-Access with recommended action from the ISD as a result of the submitted justification forms last year (this may have come later in the spring)? O Yes O No

Please outline the professional development and technical assistance provided to staff regarding targeting student instruction and assessment selection decisions in the table below. This should include activity from January 1, 2023 to current day, as well as any planned or scheduled activity that is yet to be carried out for this school year.

Audience	Topics and Method of Training	Date	Planned/Completed
Special Education Teachers	Review of new feature in Illuminate to link into the Decision Tree to review at all IEP meetings when thinking of giving a student an alternative assessment.	09/04/2023	Completed
Special Education Teachers	Creation of one document that tracks all special education students testing version, accommodations and grade level. Teachers update with IEP updates and new students. Shared with testing coordinator to ensure accommodations are set. Allows staff and supervisor to see the overall picture of the number of students tested and tested alternatively. Document created and teachers, counselors, administrators and test coordinator have access to review.	11/20/2023	Completed
EUPISD	Creation of goals within the EUPISD compliance monitoring cycle. The goals include closing the performance gap between gen ed and special ed. Also, increasing growth of students with disabilites on districtwide assessments. Data is reviewed and analyzed yearly by EUPISD staff. Full ISD Performance Evaluation Rubric will be completed and turned into EUPISD. Progress report in January of 2024.	06/15/2024	Planned
All teachers	Continued work on guaranteed and viable curriculum. Identification of essential standards, learning targets, success criteria and pre-requisite skills are complete. All special education teachers reviewed Essential Elements. Work is ongoing with administration monitoring a core implementation team. Review of data is ongoing by building network team.	06/07/2024	Planned

Resources and Technical Assistance

Does the member district require additional resources and technical assistance from the IS or MDE to ensure students are being assessed using the most appropriate state summative assessment tool based on the state guidelines?
O Yes • No
Assurances
Please provide the following assurances.
The member district IEP Team members follow the state guidelines for participation in the alternate assessment.
● Yes O No
The member district allows IEP Team members to decide which students take an alternate assessment.
The member district addresses any issues of disproportionality in statewide assessment.

⊙ Yes O No

Member District Exceeding 1% Cap Justification Form FY 2023-2024

Member District: Whitefish Township Schools

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Data

Below are the 1% Participation Rates for Whitefish Township Schools:

Content Area	Total Tested	Alternate Tested	Spring 2023 Participation Rate
English Language Arts	32	1	3.1
Mathematics	32	1	3.1
Science	20	1	5
Social Studies	20	1	5

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Contributing Factors

Did the district test fewer than 500 students total using statewide assessments?

• Yes O No

Select the option that applies:

• Fewer than 5 students took MI-Access. • O 5 or more students took MI-Access.

Did the district operate a center-based program or regional collaborative for students with the most significant cognitive disabilities (serving students from in and outside of the district within a region or ISD)?

⊙ Yes O No

Utilizing the Alternate Assessment data (page 1), complete the following table.

Assessment Data Table	Number
Total number of students taking spring summative assessments in grade 3-8 and 11 only (M-STEP + PSAT Grade 8 + SAT + MI-Access).	26
Total Number of students tested with MI-Access in grades 3-8 and 11.	0
Students from outside the district placed in district's regional center-based program by IEP team (do not include students who are residents of the district or who have enrolled through school of choice processes).	0
Adjusted Total	26
Adjusted Participation Number	0
Adjusted Rate	0%

2024 Projected Participation Rate

Projected Participation Rate 2023	Number
District's Projected Participation Rate for 2023	%
(per the response on the 2022 alternate assessment projected participation form)	70

Using students' IEP information, Michigan School Data System (MSDS), and other current data, complete the following table to calculate the 2024 projected participation rate.

Projected Participation Rate 2024	Number
Total number of students enrolled in grades 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 11 with or without an IEP	26
Total number of students whose IEPs designate MI-Access for state summative assessments in any content area	0
Projected Participation Rate for 2024	0%

Local Plan

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Did the district provide professional development to new and existing staff regarding the definition of "Students with the Most Significant Cognitive Disabilities"?

⊙ Yes O No

Did the district use a formal process to review and record decisions made by IEP Teams regarding assessment selection?

⊙ Yes O No

Did the district use outcomes data (current and past results from MI-Access, district level data, progress monitoring data, and other formative classroom data) for the purposes of targeting instruction for students who took and are designated to take MI-Access?

⊙ Yes O No

Did the district receive feedback on the participation rate for students taking MI-Access with recommended action from the ISD as a result of the submitted justification forms last year (this may have come later in the spring)?

O Yes O No

Please outline the professional development and technical assistance provided to staff regarding targeting student instruction and assessment selection decisions in the table below. This should include activity from January 1, 2023 to current day, as well as any planned or scheduled activity that is yet to be carried out for this school year.

Audience	Topics and Method of Training	Date	Planned/Completed
	Easter Upper Peninsula Intermediate School District Fall Conference	10/09/2023	Planned

Resources and Technical Assistance

Does the member district require additional resources and technical assistance from the ISD or MDE to ensure students are being assessed using the most appropriate state summative assessment tool based on the state guidelines?

O Yes O No

Assurances

Please provide the following assurances.

The member district IEP Team members follow the state guidelines for participation in the alternate assessment.

⊙ Yes O No

The member district allows IEP Team members to decide which students take an alternate assessment.

• Yes O No

The member district addresses any issues of disproportionality in statewide assessment.

• Yes O No