

Spotlight

on Student Assessment and Accountability

What's New

Week of December 1, 2022

- **Approaching Deadline: Benchmark Assessments Reporting and Funding Application**
- **2021-22 School Accountability Results Now Available on MISchoolData.org (released to the public on Tuesday, November 29)**
- **Fall 2022 Early Literacy and Mathematics Aggregate Reports Available**
- **DRC INSIGHT Technical Readiness Training Available**

Reminder

- **Plan Now to Attend the 2023 Michigan School Testing Conference**

• **Approaching Deadline: Benchmark Assessments Reporting and Funding Application**

- The deadline for districts to complete the [2022-2023 Benchmark Assessments Reporting and Funding Application form](https://mdoe.state.mi.us/gems/public/QuestionnaireHome.aspx?code=i9d2tabb) (<https://mdoe.state.mi.us/gems/public/QuestionnaireHome.aspx?code=i9d2tabb>) is tomorrow, **Friday, December 2, 2022 at 5:00 p.m.** All public districts and ISDs with enrolled students in grades K-8 must complete the form. The form must be completed even if your district or ISD is not administering benchmark assessments, to let the Michigan Department of Education (MDE) know why. Keep in mind the form must be submitted and not just saved to be considered complete.
- The form is available through the Grant Electronic Monitoring System/ Michigan Administrative Review System (GEMS/MARS). It may also be accessed from MDE's [Benchmark Assessments web page](#) (www.michigan.gov/mde-benchmarkassessments) in the **What's New** section.
- The Benchmark Assessments Reporting and Funding Application form allows districts to identify the types of benchmark assessments administered, report on assessments with progress monitoring tools and local benchmark assessments, and apply for funding for eligible assessments purchased by districts. The assessments eligible for funding are NWEA Map, Curriculum Associates i-Ready, and Renaissance Star. The Smarter Balanced Interim Assessments and the Early Literacy and Mathematics Benchmark Assessments are provided at no cost to schools and are not eligible for funding.



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The following resources to help districts meet the reporting and funding requirements of [Section 104h of Public Act 94 of 1979, State School Aid](#) are available on the MDE Benchmark Assessments web page:

- [2022-2023 Benchmark Assessments Reporting and Funding memorandum](#)
(<https://www.michigan.gov/mde/-/media/Project/Websites/mde/Memos/2022/09/Academic-Year-2022-23-Benchmark-Assessments-Reporting-and-Funding.pdf>)
- [2022-2023 Benchmark Assessments Reporting and Funding Application form](#)
(<https://mdoe.state.mi.us/gems/public/QuestionnaireHome.aspx?code=i9d2tabb>)
- [Benchmark Fact Sheet and FAQ document, 2022-23](#)
(https://www.michigan.gov/documents/mde/Benchmark_Assessments_Fact_Sheet_and_FAQ_738392_7.pdf)

In addition, the Michigan Data Hub (MiDataHub) held a webinar in September to provide districts with detailed information on how to submit benchmark data through the MiDataHub. The slide deck, recordings, and an FAQ document related to this webinar can be accessed from the [MiDataHub training page](#) (<https://www.midatahub.org/support/trainings/data-hub-trainings/>).

2021-22 School Accountability Results Now Available on MISchoolData.org (released to the public on Tuesday, November 29)

Results for the 2021-22 [Michigan School Index System](#) (www.mischooldata.org/school-index/) were made publicly available Tuesday, November 29, 2022 on www.MISchoolData.org. The embargo for 2021-22 school accountability data was lifted upon public release.

Supporting resources for school districts to access for the Michigan School Index System can be found at: www.mi.gov/mde-accountability under **School Index**.

Districts that choose to share or communicate any of the information from its School Index are to be aware that any student datafiles or screenshots of the School Index reports downloaded from MI School Data by a secure user are never to be shared publicly. Reports and files visible to logged-in users of the site contain unsuppressed and potentially personally identifiable information.

Fall 2022 Early Literacy and Mathematics Aggregate Reports Available

The Fall 2022 Early Literacy and Mathematics Benchmark Assessment Reports (aggregate-level) are available in the **Dynamic Score Reporting System** through the [OEAA Secure Site](http://www.michigan.gov/oeea-secure) (www.michigan.gov/oeea-secure). Detailed directions for accessing reports can be found in the [Dynamic Score Reporting Site User Guide](https://www.michigan.gov/-/media/Project/Websites/mde/2021/08/27/How_to_Navigate_Dynamic_Score_Reports.pdf) (https://www.michigan.gov/-/media/Project/Websites/mde/2021/08/27/How_to_Navigate_Dynamic_Score_Reports.pdf), which is located on the [Early Literacy and Mathematics web page](http://www.michigan.gov/earlylitandmath) (www.michigan.gov/earlylitandmath) under the **Reporting section**.

DRC INSIGHT Technical Readiness Training Available

The recording and slide deck for the Winter/Spring 2023 DRC INSIGHT Technology Readiness Training for Technology Coordinators delivered on November 29, 2022, are now available in the [DRC INSIGHT Portal](https://mi.drccdirect.com) (https://mi.drccdirect.com).

- Presentation Recording: <https://bit.ly/3H1SWis>
- PowerPoint Slide deck: <https://bit.ly/3ivKJsA>

Report	Description	Aggregation
Demographic Report	Provides a comparison of students by grade and content, aggregated across selected demographic groups, showing the number of students, mean scale score and the percentage students at each performance level	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • School • District • State
Student Trend Report	State and school aggregated mean scale scores have been added to the Student Trend Report. This report displays up to three years of historical Early Literacy and Benchmark Assessment score data	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • School

Call Center: 877-560-8378 (select appropriate option) for assistance with assessment or accountability issues

Reminder

Plan Now to Attend the 2023 Michigan School Testing Conference

The 2023 Michigan School Testing Conference (MSTC) will be held in-person on February 14-16, 2023 at the Sheraton Ann Arbor, 3200 Boardwalk Drive in Ann Arbor. In planning the 2023 conference, the feasibility of an in-person conference was carefully considered. The decision was made to offer the MSTC conference in-person, with no virtual format as was the case in the past.

The annual MSTC consists of a day of workshops and two days of plenary and clinic sessions:

On **Tuesday, February 14, from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. and 1:00 to 4:00 p.m.**, eight workshops will be offered:

- Seven half-day workshops
- One full-day workshop

The conference takes place on **Wednesday, February 15, from 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.** and continues on **Thursday, February 16, from 9:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.** There will be 38 clinics and three keynote presentations offered:

- **Jan Chappuis** (Educational Author/Consultant) on Wednesday, February 17
- **Andy Middlestead** (Director, MDE OEAA), also on Wednesday, February 17
- **Jennifer Randall** (Professor, U-M School of Education) on Thursday, February 18

A daily registration fee providing access to the conference is being offered again this year.

[Click to view full conference details and printable registration form](https://masaonline.gomasa.org/Masaonline/Events/Event_Display.aspx?EventKey=23_MST) (https://masaonline.gomasa.org/Masaonline/Events/Event_Display.aspx?EventKey=23_MST)

The hotel is offering a special room rate for the conference. [Click here to access room block reservations](https://www.marriott.com/event-reservations/reservation-link.mi?id=1666978584558&key=GRP&app=resvlink) (https://www.marriott.com/event-reservations/reservation-link.mi?id=1666978584558&key=GRP&app=resvlink).

CB College Board Corner

Information on SAT®, PSAT™ 8/9, and PSAT™ 10 provided by the College Board

WHAT'S NEW

Resources for Services for Students with Disabilities (SSD) Coordinators

1. The recording of [College Board's 2022-23 Implementation Overview webinar](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jO8ptkaevFE) (<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jO8ptkaevFE>) for SAT with Essay and PSAT-related assessments is now available on the [MME web page](http://www.michigan.gov/mme) (www.michigan.gov/mme) and [PSAT web page](http://www.michigan.gov/psat) (www.michigan.gov/psat). Test Coordinators may use the recording as a resource in preparation for Spring 2023 testing.
2. Services for Students with Disabilities (SSD) coordinators can register for the [Accommodations and Supports Webinar](https://collegeboard.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_m6pEFeJyQhCuQrVth8F2NA) (https://collegeboard.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_m6pEFeJyQhCuQrVth8F2NA), scheduled for **11:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. ET next Tuesday, December 6, 2022.**

This webinar will assist new and returning SSD coordinators with the process of applying for accommodations through the SSD Online system. Webinar participants will also review administration of the SAT with Essay and PSAT-related assessments with accommodations and English Learner supports.

This optional webinar will be recorded and posted on the [MME web page](http://www.michigan.gov/mme) (www.michigan.gov/mme) and [PSAT web page](http://www.michigan.gov/psat) (www.michigan.gov/psat) approximately one week after the webinar is conducted.

REMINDERS

Important Tasks for the Spring 2023 Administration

1. Check the [Test Center Participation Page of the Office of Educational Assessment and Accountability \(OEAA\) Secure Site](#) (<https://www.michigan.gov/mde/services/student-assessment/secure-site-training>) to verify if your school is established to participate in the Spring 2023 assessments. Only contact College Board if establishment is not accurate by **December 19, 2022.**
2. [Request off-site testing](http://www.sat.org/offsiterequest) (<http://www.sat.org/offsiterequest>), if needed, by January 20, 2023. Refer to the article in the [Spotlight - October 20 issue](#) for details (<https://www.michigan.gov/mde/-/media/Project/Websites/mde/OEAA/Spotlight-Newsletter/Spotlight-10-20-2022.pdf>)

Questions about Spring SAT, PSAT 8/9, or PSAT 10? Contact College Board

- Call the Michigan Educator Hotline: 866-870-3127 (select Option 1)
- Email: michiganadministratorsupport@collegeboard.org

Call Center: 877-560-8378 (select appropriate option) for assistance with assessment or accountability issues



Reminder

Completing Manage Participation

The deadline to complete the Manage Participation process in the [PearsonAccess^{next} website](https://testadmin.act.org/) (<https://testadmin.act.org/>), regardless of previous participation, is **December 9, 2022**. This process takes approximately five minutes, and step-by-step instructions are provided in the [ACT WorkKeys Spring 2023 Manage Participation Guide](https://www.michigan.gov/mde/-/media/Project/Websites/mde/OEAA/MME/ACT_WorkKeys_Manage_Participation_Guide_-_Michigan.pdf) (https://www.michigan.gov/mde/-/media/Project/Websites/mde/OEAA/MME/ACT_WorkKeys_Manage_Participation_Guide_-_Michigan.pdf) located on the [MME web page](http://www.michigan.gov/mme) (www.michigan.gov/mme).

For all upcoming events and deadlines, refer to the [ACT WorkKeys Schedule of Events](https://content.act.org/michigan/r/Schedule_of_Events_for_WorkKeys_-_Michigan_-_Spring) (https://content.act.org/michigan/r/Schedule_of_Events_for_WorkKeys_-_Michigan_-_Spring) posted on the [ACT state testing website](http://www.act.org/stateanddistrict/michigan) (<http://www.act.org/stateanddistrict/michigan>) on the **WorkKeys on Paper** page.

Contact ACT

If you have questions, you may:

1. contact ACT via the [Contact Us web page](http://www.act.org/aap/state/contact.html) (www.act.org/aap/state/contact.html)
2. call ACT at 800-553-6244 between 9:30 a.m. and 6 p.m. ET
 - » standard time: ext. 2800
 - » accommodations: ext. 1788
3. email accommodations questions to ACTStateAccoms@act.org

Call Center: 877-560-8378 (select appropriate option) for assistance with assessment or accountability issues

Important Dates

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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December 2022

2022-2023 Benchmark Reporting and Funding Application Window

December 2, 2022, 5:00 p.m.

- Complete the [2022-2023 Benchmark Reporting and Funding application form](https://mdoe.state.mi.us/gems/public/QuestionnaireHome.aspx?code=i9d2tabb) (<https://mdoe.state.mi.us/gems/public/QuestionnaireHome.aspx?code=i9d2tabb>) to identify benchmark assessments administered, report on local benchmark assessments and benchmark assessments with progress monitoring, and to apply for funding



WIDA ACCESS Online Overview Webinar

December 7, 2022, 9:30 – 11:00 a.m.

- Registration link: <https://access-for-ells-online-overview-webinar.eventbrite.com>

Deadline to Complete ACT WorkKeys Manage Participation Process

December 9, 2022

WIDA Assessments Off-Site Test Administration Window; includes WIDA ACCESS for ELLs, WIDA Alternate ACCESS for ELLs

December 12, 2022 – March 23, 2023

WIDA Initial Material Order Window (Braille and Enlarged Print)

December 13 – 28, 2022, by 5:00 p.m.

WIDA Pre-identification of students for barcode labels in OEAA Secure Site

December 13 – 28, 2022, by 5:00 p.m.

WIDA Pre-identification of students as Tier T for barcode labels in OEAA Secure Site

December 13 – 28, 2022, by 5:00 p.m.

College Board Webinar: Accommodations and Supports Overview for SAT with Essay, PSAT 8/9, and PSAT 10

December 6, 2022, 11:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

- [Register for the Accommodations and Supports Webinar](https://collegeboard.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_m6pEFeJyQhCuQrVth8F2NA) (https://collegeboard.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_m6pEFeJyQhCuQrVth8F2NA)

“Ask OEAA LIVE” Event: 1% Cap on Alternate Assessments

December 6, 2022, 3:30 – 4:00 p.m.

- Join the event using this link: <http://bit.ly/3WURnZs>

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31	1	2	3	4

December 2022

WIDA Test Exceptions

December 13, 2022 – January 20, 2023

January 2023

SAT, PSAT, M-STEP, MI-Access, and WorkKeys Pre-ID for barcode labels and initial material orders

January 4 – February 15, 2023, at 5:00 p.m.

Contacts

Assessment and Accountability Call Center

For assistance with assessment or accountability issues:

Call **877-560-8378** (select appropriate option)

Options	Topics
1	to report cheating and unethical behavior by a district/school in regards to state assessments
2	for support of Central Office Services (COS), DRC INSIGHT Portal, and INSIGHT for the online M-STEP, MI-Access, and Early Literacy and Mathematics Benchmark Assessments (K-2)
3	for support of the OEAA Secure Site for <u>all</u> state assessments, administration and policy questions related to M-STEP, MI-Access, Early Literacy and Mathematics Benchmark Assessments (K-2), and accountability reporting
4	for questions about the College Entrance and WorkKeys assessments <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Eligibility, MDE policies, and OEAA Secure Site Support 2. SAT, PSAT 8/9, and PSAT 10 – College Board 3. WorkKeys – ACT
5	for questions about the WIDA ACCESS for ELLs, WIDA Alternate ACCESS for ELLs, and support for WIDA AMS, INSIGHT, and Central Office Services (COS)
8	for all other questions

Email

For assessment questions:

mde-oeaa@michigan.gov

For accountability questions:

mde-accountability@michigan.gov

WIDA Client Services

Call **866-276-7735** for assistance with **WIDA Screener** and the **WIDA Secure Portal** questions (for questions not covered in options 3 and 5 in the table above)

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