



SPREAD THE WORD: ISPROUT

The Indiana Department of Education's (IDOE's) Office of Special Education has provided this guidance within a series of important topics of special education as a requirement by the U.S. Department of Education's Office of Special Education Programs.

This resource provides a look into the Indiana Student Performance Readiness and Observation of Understanding Tool (ISPROUT).

ISPROUT Ages 3-5

ISPROUT is administered to children three- to five-years-old and consists of a combination of direct child performance data and educator ratings aligned to the observations of children's daily routines and activities. Required to be administered for children with IEPs. Please see [FAQ](#) for more information.

Key Reporting Requirements

ISPROUT is required to be administered within six weeks of beginning an IEP and within six weeks of exiting for Kindergarten.

Entry and Exit assessments are included in the Indicator 7 calculation if they are administered six months apart; however, the test must be taken as required regardless of the time between the two assessments.

Unless the child receives only speech services, all [Skills, Knowledge, and Behaviors \(SKBs\)](#) must be assessed. Speech-only students have a reduced number of required SKBs.

Training Requirements

Those administering ISPROUT must be trained and recertify each year.

Initial Training:

- 6 to 10 hours

Subsequent Training:

- 30 minutes to 1 hour

Requirements for certificate:

- 80% required to pass and receive certificate
- Teacher can take assessment two times

Email inassessments@doe.in.gov for training questions and osemonitoring@doe.in.gov for compliance questions.