Assessments Overview

TASC & TABE

TASC Past, Present, and Future

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French Lick, IN
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Introductions

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• David Seitter, Senior Vice President, DRC
• Mike Johnson, National Adult Education Director, DRC
• Deedra Arvin, Director of Test Development, DRC
• Paula Boffa-Taylor, Program Manager, DRC
DRC Overview

• Minnesota-based company founded in 1978
• 11 locations across the country, including Indianapolis, IN
• 650 full-time employees and more than 5,000 seasonal employees
• Recently acquired key assets of the CTB/McGraw-Hill Education assessment business, such as the:
  – Tests of Adult Basic Education (TABE), in use since 1967; used annually by 825,000 Adult Basic Ed students across the country and 26,000 students in IN
  – Test Assessing Secondary Completion (TASC); adopted by 14 States
DRC Overview

• Major assessment programs with 22 states and multi-state consortia
• Including Idaho, Georgia, Michigan, Missouri, Nebraska, Nevada, Pennsylvania, Louisiana, South Carolina, Wisconsin, and the WIDA Consortium
• Full-service provider of customized, K–12 assessments
• Summative, formative, interim, and benchmark assessments
• Multi-mode assessment programs (computer and paper based)
• Successfully transitioned numerous states to online assessments
• Scanned and scored over 10 million Test Books and 180 million Answer Sheets
States Using TASC to Grant State High School Credential

- New York
- Indiana
- West Virginia
- New Jersey
- Nevada
- Wyoming
- California

- North Carolina
- South Carolina
- Oklahoma
- Colorado
- Illinois
- Mississippi
- Texas
Where We Began
Indiana's HSE

Why We Chose TASC

• Tiered, 3-year Rigor Plan
• Cost
• Proctoring Requirements
• Paper Option

Basic Rules

• Retesting on Forms
• 60-day Invalidation Rule
• Cannot Mix Language Forms
## Where We Began

**Key Dates**

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<td>- DWD Staff and Test Center Administrators (train the trainer)</td>
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<td>November 2013</td>
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<td>- Meetings with DWD, ERC, and SWIC WebEx Trainings</td>
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## Where We Began

### Summary Data: ABC and DEF

### Forms ABC and DEF - Passed all 5 Subtests

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<td>8950</td>
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### Forms ABC - Paper & Pencil and Online

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<td>Online</td>
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<td>2691</td>
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### Forms DEF - Paper & Pencil and Online

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Indiana in the Spotlight

• IN DOC

• Williamsport, IN
INSIGHT platform has delivered over 10 million secure, online assessments nationwide in 2014–2015, with 25 million planned for 2015–2016, including TASC Forms GHI.

- INSIGHT is a secure browser based testing platform
- No requirement for local servers or caching of files
- No reliance on 3rd party applications
- Lock down browser prevents access to other programs
- Both TABE and TASC will share the same platform
TASC
Where We Are Headed
FORMS GHI

Mathematics Blueprint

- **Algebra**: 26%
- **Geometry**: 23%
- **Functions**: 26%
- **Number and Quantity**: 13%
- **Statistics and Probability**: 12%
TASC
Where We Are Headed
FORMS GHI

Reading Blueprint DEF

- Literature Texts: 30%
- Informational Texts: 70%

Reading Blueprint GHI

- Literature Texts: 25%
- Informational Texts: 75%
TASC
Where We Are Headed
FORMS GHI

Key Ideas and Details
45%

Integration of Knowledge and Ideas
10%

Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
10%

Craft and Structure
35%

Reading Blueprint GHI

Key Ideas and Details
45%
TASC
Where We Are Headed
FORMS GHI

Science Blueprint DEF

- Physical Sciences 20%
- Life Sciences 40%
- Earth and Space Sciences 40%
TASC
Where We Are Headed
FORMS GHI

Science Blueprint GHI

- Physical Sciences: 20%
- Life Sciences: 50%
- Earth and Space Sciences: 30%
TASC
Where We Are Headed
FORMS GHI

Social Studies Blueprint DEF

- U.S. History 25%
- World History 15%
- Geography 15%
- Civics and Government 25%
- Economics 20%
TASC
Where We Are Headed
FORMS GHI

Social Studies Blueprint GHI

- U.S. History 25%
- World History 25%
- Civics and Government 20%
- Geography 10%
- Economics 20%
TASC
Where We Are Headed
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Writing Blueprint

Essay Writing
17%

Editing and Revising
83%
TASC
Where We Are Headed
FORMS GHI

Revising and Editing Subdomains DEF

- Conventions: Grammar and Usage 30%
- Knowledge of Language 30%
- Text Types and Purposes 15%
- Conventions: Capitalization, Punctuation, and Spelling 25%
TASC
Where We Are Headed
FORMS GHI

Revising and Editing Subdomains GHI

- Conventions: Grammar and Usage 40%
- Text Types and Purposes 20%
- Conventions: Capitalization, Punctuation, and Spelling 25%
- Knowledge of Language 15%
Item Types Included in Forms GHI

- Multiple Choice
- Selected Response (e.g., Multiple Select, Evidence-Based Selected Response)
- Technology Enhanced (e.g., Drag and Drop, Matching)
- Constructed Response
- Gridded Response (Mathematics only)
- Extended Constructed Response (Writing only)
### TASC
Where We Are Headed
FORMS GHI

#### Item Counts by Item Type Forms GHI

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## TASC
Where We Are Headed
FORMS GHI

### Testing Times

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<th>Subject</th>
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<th>GHI English and Spanish Testing Time (in minutes)</th>
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Additional Changes for GHI

- New item types (print and online)
- New mathematics reference sheet
Support for Adult Educators and Examinees

- Test Blueprints
- Item Specifications
- Online Tools Training (non-secure practice of the online tools in INSIGHT)
Field Testing in April and May
- New Standards
- New length of the test
- Changes to Math sections
- Improved Locator design
- Content Areas Updated
- Alignment to HSE exams
Questions and comments!

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