Pearson Introduction and 2016 ISTEP+/IREAD-3 Update

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Pearson Overview

Products and Services

- Virtual schools and school management services

- Learning systems and services

- Assessments--local, state, national, international, clinical, licensure

	North America	Core (UK, Italy, etc.)	Emerging Markets
School (PreK – 12)			
Higher Education			
Professional			

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Our Work in Assessments

State Assessment Services

- Prime contractor for custom-developed state and large district assessments
- Contracts in 17 states
- Summative, alternate, ELL, formative, interim & benchmark

National Assessment Services

- Supporting programs from other national assessment entities
  - ACT/ACT Aspire
  - College Board
  - PARCC
  - GED Testing Services
  - National Board of Professional Teaching Standards (NBPTS)

Clinical & Licensure

- Diagnostic, gifted & talented, etc.
- Teacher licensure exams
- Professional licensure and certification (VUE)

Pearson State Contracts

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Indiana: An Important Part of Who We Are

- **600 full-time and 250 part-time employees**

- **Approximately 1.9m sq. ft. of warehouse and office space**

- **Other major points of presence**
  - CORE/CASA Teacher Licensure Assessments
  - ACCUPLACER (platform) and MyLabs (courseware) for Ivy Tech
  - Connections Academy
  - Nexus Academy
  - Indiana Virtual School
  - Indiana Wesleyan University – Next Gen Digital Campus
  - Indiana University – eTexts and MyLabs

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11 in-state vendor/subcontractors (MBE/WBE/VBE)

- <u>Briljent</u> – training, technical support
- <u>ENTAP</u> – technical support
- <u>Sondhi Solutions</u> – item writer recruiting, technical support
- <u>RJM Logistics</u> – shipping
- <u>Quality Printing</u> – non-secure printed materials
- <u>Bingle Research</u> – surveys
- <u>Doculaw</u> – online manuals indexing
- <u>Fat Atom</u> – website development
- <u>Virtuoso Education</u> – professional development
- <u>BCForward</u> – scorer recruiting
- <u>gh, LLC</u> – Braille materials and student response transcription

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Current ISTEP+ and IREAD-3 Status

- Contracts have been entered for review and approval

- Item transfer is nearly complete

- Statistical data files were received on time

- Item content committee reviews are complete

- 2016 test form selection has begun
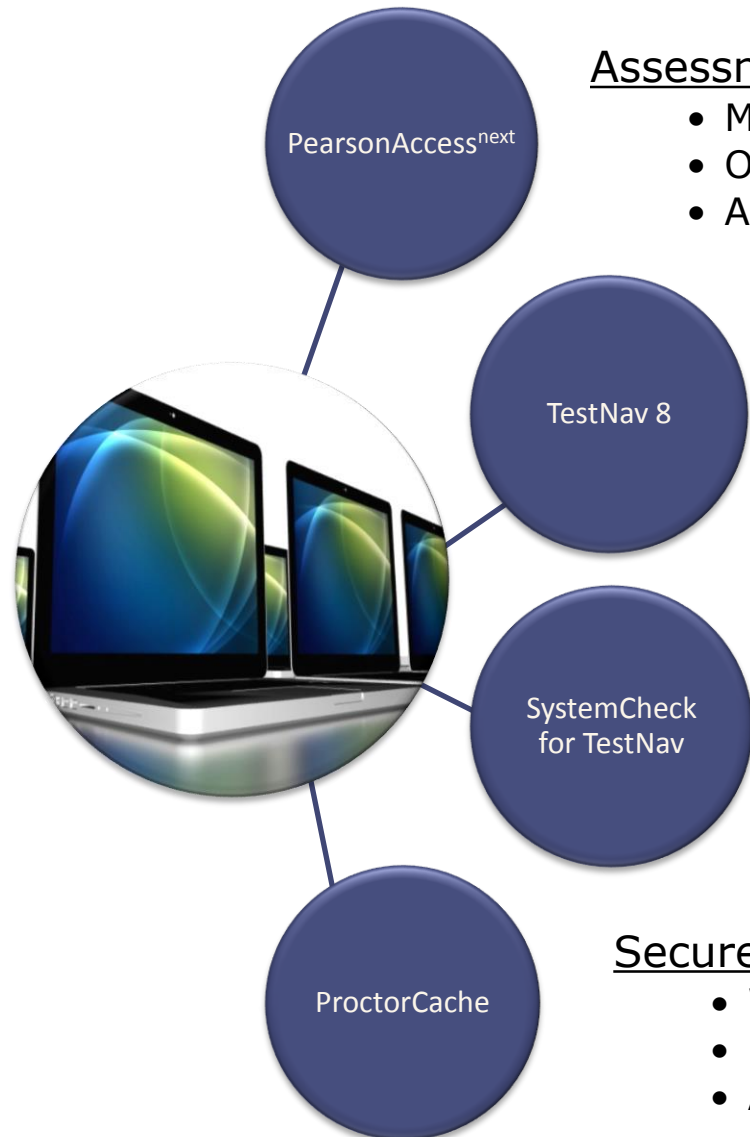
- Training and online testing readiness is beginning

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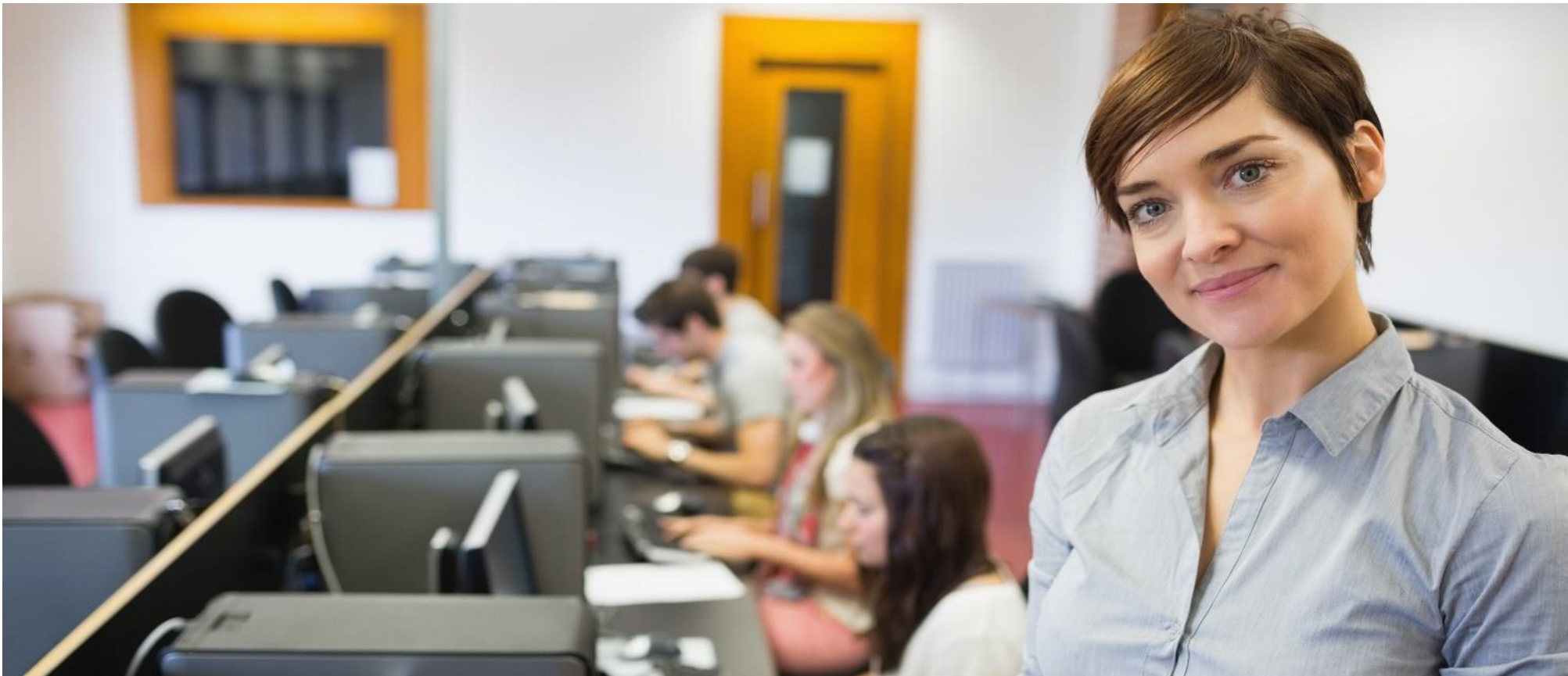
Technology Readiness for ISTEP+ and IREAD-3

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Computer-based Testing Components

PearsonAccess^next

Assessment administration portal
- Manage student data and testing sessions
- Order materials
- Access and download reports and data files

TestNav 8

Student test delivery engine
- Standard browser or desktop/mobile app
- Dynamically scalable, cloud-based
- 25m assessments in 2015 with 100% uptime

SystemCheck for TestNav

Web-based tool for assessing readiness
- Device compatibility
- Network throughput
- Estimated number of simultaneous testers

ProctorCache

Secure, local copy of testing content
- Works with TestNav to reduce internet bandwidth utilization
- Protect against slowdowns/disruptions in internet connectivity
- Allows students to finish testing if there is an extended disruption

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Proctor Caching Diagram

ProctorCache Off - Each testing computer must individually connect across the Internet to download test content.

ProctorCache On - Test content is pre-cached on the local computer, from which each testing computer downloads that test content.

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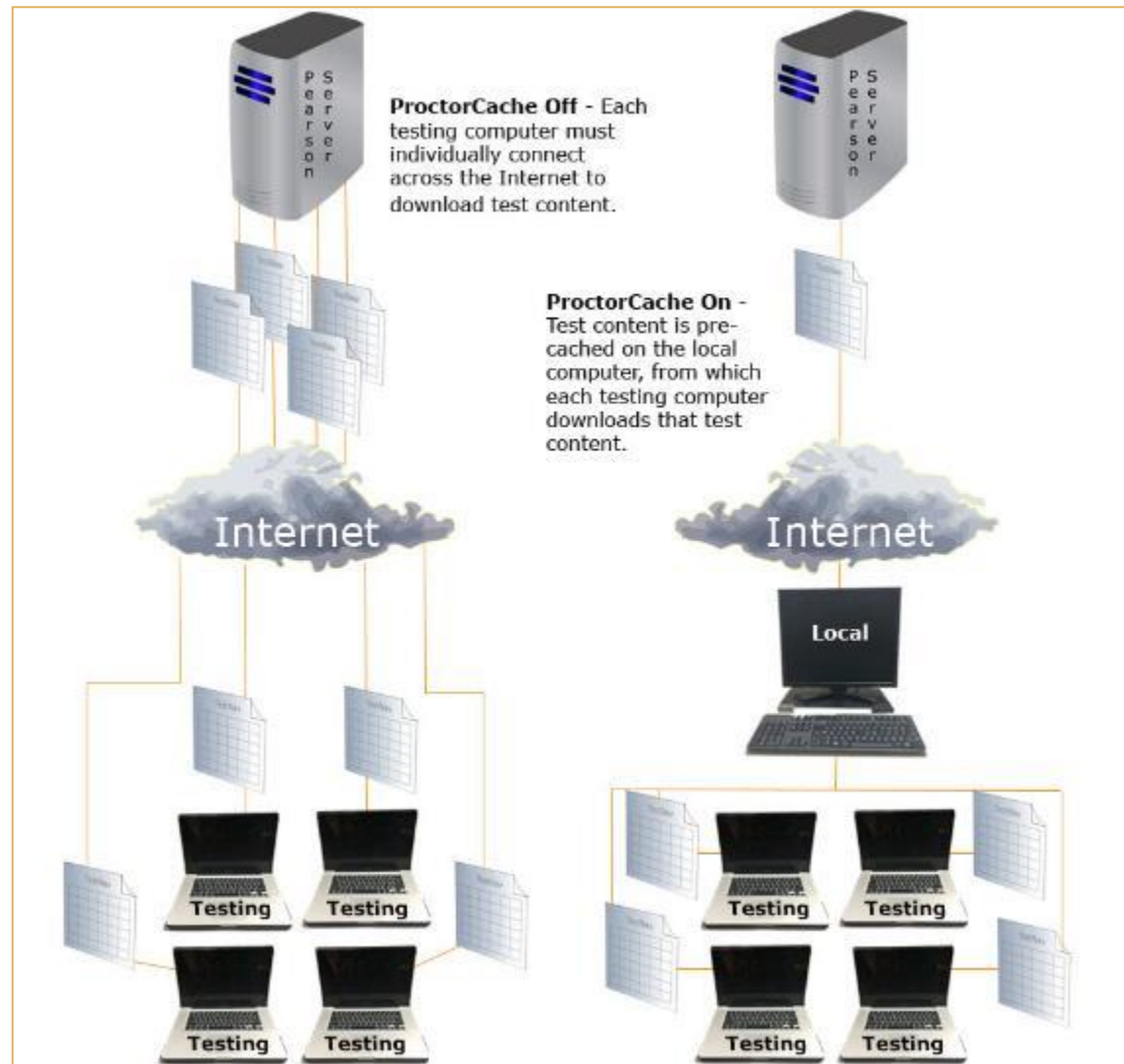
System Demonstration

ISTEP+ and IREAD-3 Online Readiness Timeline

- ✓ **Introductory memo to Corporation Test Coordinators**

- **Readiness Window (mid-October to mid-November)**
  - Readiness Webinars – multiple opportunities
  - Device/Infrastructure survey
  - Public, online sample tests in early November

- **Practice Window (mid-November to late February)**
  - Online practice tests for local use with students in late November
  - Training and local infrastructure trials in November/December
  - Network of local subcontractors for statewide, onsite technical support
  - Statewide readiness test January 12, 2016
  - Additional site visits as needed to resolve any remaining issues

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Online Learning Resources

- Thousands of media-rich learning activities
- Aligned to Indiana's Academic Standards
- ELA (3-10), Math (3-10), and Science (4, 6, 10)
- Can be used year-round at home or at school
- Teachers can create assignment sheets for remediation, supplemental instruction, or additional practice

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Pearson Perspective™

Learning Locator™

- Special code based on individual ISTEP+ performance profile

- Printed on ISTEP+ Student Reports for ELA, Math, and Science

- Automatically retrieves learning resources aligned to the student's strengths and weaknesses
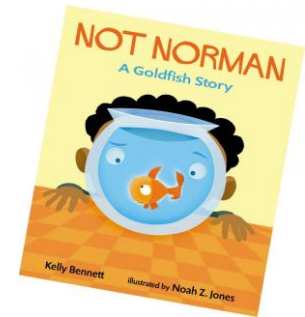
Will be launched in June, 2016 with ISTEP+ Grade 3-8 Reports

A Few Shameless Plugs...

October 22, 2015 – Jumpstart Read for the Record®

- www.jstart.org/campaigns/read-for-the-record
- Register to Read-Sign up to read with a child in your life
- Raise Awareness- Spread the word! Get your local community, school, or library involved

Project Literacy

- www.projectliteracy.com (#projectliteracy)
- Sign the petition - put literacy at the heart of achieving the UN's Global Goals for Sustainable Development
- Become a Champion for Literacy
  - Indy Reads
  - Reach Out and Read
  - First Book

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47% of parents wish they could be more involved in their child's education
Source: State of Parenting Poll (NBC)

Visit the
PARENT TOOLKIT
ParentToolkit.com

Help parents help their children navigate school and life

"Growth chart" containing grade-by-grade academic benchmarks for PreK-12 in Math and English Language Arts

Tips and resources for parents to support their children's learning

Health and social-emotional guides

A guide to parent-teacher conferences and school counselor meetings

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