



MEMORANDUM

TO: State Board of Education
FROM: Dr. Michele Walker, Director
 Office of Student Assessment
DATE: June 24, 2015
RE: Recommended Testing Dates for 2015-16 and 2016-17

Proposed 2015-16 and 2016-17 testing windows for the following assessments will be presented for approval at the State Board of Education meeting in July.

- Indiana Statewide Testing of Educational Progress – Plus (ISTEP+)
- End of Course Assessments (ECAs)
- Indiana Reading And Evaluation Determination (IREAD-3)
- Indiana Standards Tool for Alternate Reporting (ISTAR)
- World-Class Instructional Design and Assessments for English Learners (WIDA)
- ACCUPLACER

To align with previous policy, we seek permission for the Indiana Department of Education to approve changes to the testing dates within a period of no more than one week in advance for schools that provide rationale for such a date change.

The proposed dates are presented in the tables below:

ISTEP+ Proposed Testing Dates		
Testing Windows	2015-16	2016-17
ISTEP+ Part 1 – Paper/pencil and Online <i>(Applied Skills)</i>	February 29 – March 11, 2016	February 27 – March 10, 2017
ISTEP+ Part 2 – Paper/pencil <i>(Multiple-Choice and Gridded-Response Items)</i>	April 18 - 29, 2016	April 17 - 28, 2017
ISTEP+ Part 2 – Online <i>(Multiple-Choice and Technology-Enhanced Items)</i>	April 18 – May 6, 2016	April 17 – May 5, 2017

ECA Proposed Testing Dates	
Testing Windows	2015-16
ECAs (Fall)*	October 19 – November 13, 2015
ECAs (Early Winter – Part 1)	December 7 - 18, 2015
ECAs (Early Winter – Part 2)	January 4 - 15, 2016
ECAs (Late Winter)*	February 8 – March 4, 2016
ECAs (Spring)	April 25 – June 1, 2016
ECAs (Summer)*	June 16 – July 29, 2016

*Window may be reduced based on actual selected test dates.

ECA Proposed Testing Dates	
Testing Windows	2016-17
ECAs (Winter)	December 5 - 16, 2016
ECAs (Spring)	April 24 – May 26, 2017
ECAs (Summer)	August 21 – September 1, 2017

IREAD-3 Proposed Testing Dates		
Testing Windows	2015-16	2016-17
IREAD-3 Spring – Paper/pencil and Online	March 14 - 18, 2016	March 13 - 17, 2017
IREAD-3 Summer – Online	May 31 – July 22, 2016	May 30 – July 21, 2017
IREAD-3 Summer – Paper/pencil	June 6 – July 22, 2016	June 5 – July 21, 2017

ISTAR Proposed Testing Dates		
Testing Windows	2015-16	2016-17
ISTAR Part 1	October 5 – November 6, 2015	October 3 – November 4, 2016
ISTAR Part 2	January 11 – February 5, 2016	January 9 – February 3, 2017
ISTAR Part 3	April 11 – May 20, 2016	April 10 – May 19, 2017

WIDA Proposed Testing Dates	
2015-16	2016-17
January 11 – February 26, 2016	January 9 – February 24, 2017

ACCUPLACER Proposed Testing Dates		
Testing Windows	2015-16	2016-17
ACCUPLACER Part 1	October 5 – November 25, 2015	October 3 – November 23, 2016
ACCUPLACER Part 2	February 15 – April 1, 2016	February 13 – March 31, 2017

Thank you for your consideration.