



MEMORANDUM

TO: State Board of Education

FROM: Wes Bruce, Chief Assessment Officer
Michele Walker, Director of Student Assessment

RE: Recommended IREAD-3 Summer 2013 Testing Dates

DATE: October 18, 2012

The Indiana Reading Evaluation And Determination (IREAD) Assessment was created in response to Public Law 109 in 2010 (also known as HEA 1367), which requires the evaluation of reading skills for students who are in grade three. The purpose of IREAD-3 (designated for grade 3 students) is to ensure that all students can read proficiently by the end of grade 3. IREAD-3 is comprised of three test sessions, all of which may be administered in one day (72 minutes of student time, including instructions).

In recommending dates for the Summer 2013 IREAD-3 testing window, data representing the actual number of tests administered each day during the summer 2012 administration were reviewed. The Summer 2012 IREAD-3 testing window was 6½ weeks in length (June 13 – July 27, 2012), with more than 500 students participating in the assessment during the last week of testing. As schools have requested an earlier start to the summer 2013 window, we are proposing June 3, 2013, as the first day of a testing window that extends until July 26, 2013, for a total of 8 weeks.

The Department presents dates for the Summer 2013 IREAD-3 testing window below for the Board's approval:

Administration	Proposed Testing Dates
Summer 2013	June 3 – July 26, 2012

We respectfully request approval of the above proposed Summer 2013 IREAD-3 testing window.