



# The DAC Digest

## Assessment & Accountability Updates

October 3, 2023

### Assessment and Accountability

#### New:

##### 2022-23 Assessment Data Public Release

Deputy State Superintendent John Johnson sent an [email to District Administrators](#) on Monday, October 2, announcing the public release of spring 2022-23 statewide assessment results for the Forward Exam, ACT, PreACT Secure, and DLM on October 10. A press release will be available on the DPI News Releases webpage and performance data from these assessments will be available in the [WISEdash public portal](#) on that day.

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### Accountability

#### New:

##### 2022-23 Preliminary Secure Report Cards - Now Available in SAFE

Deputy State Superintendent John Johnson sent an [email to District Administrators](#) today, October 3, announcing that **secure preliminary versions of the 2022-23 School and District Report Cards are available in [SAFE, the Secure Access File Exchange](#)**. As a preliminary and secure report, they contain potentially identifiable student information, and have not been redacted. As such, and because the report cards are preliminary and subject to change, **the secure reports and any information on the preliminary report cards may not be shared** with your local media, parents, or members of the community.

To ensure reporting is as accurate as possible, the secure release opens the [report card inquiry period](#), which will take place between October 3-16. This inquiry period is an opportunity for schools and districts to review report card data and work with OEA to address possible data submission errors prior to the final release of report cards. The 'Secure Release Checklist' found on the [report card resources page](#) provides step-by-step guidance on how to review report card data. **The last day to OPEN a data inquiry is October 16.**

The public release of final school and district report cards is scheduled for **November 14**. These report cards will include redaction to protect student privacy. At that time the public school and district report cards results will be widely available.



As a reminder, we have posted [report card resources](#) to guide your review of the preliminary report cards and assist with local report card interpretation and messaging. If you have questions about report cards, please [contact OEA](#).

### **Target Group Preview Dashboard Updated for 2023-24**

This Target Group Preview Dashboard is now available for 2023-24, showing the likelihood of students appearing in the target group of the 2023-24 report cards, based on 2023 assessment results. Please note that this dashboard is a “forward facing” tool used to inform continuous improvement efforts, so it does not reflect target group students found in the 2022-23 report cards.

The Target Group Outcomes priority area of the report cards is designed to help schools see their own “gaps” between students scoring in the lowest quartile and the rest of their student body. To support schools and districts in identifying and serving their lowest-performing students, students who are *likely* to be in the target group in future report cards at a district- and school-level are displayed securely on WISEdash for Districts.

This dashboard can be found in the ‘Early Warning’ area of WISEdash for Districts under ‘Report Card.’ The data will be updated weekly from now through the December Snapshot as enrollment numbers stabilize. For more information, please see the [WISEdash for Districts - Target Group Preview Dashboard page](#).

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## **Assessment**

### **Reminder:**

#### **Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ)**

The Office of Educational Accountability (OEA) is available to answer all assessment and accountability related questions as they arise. District and school staff may reach out to [assessment staff](#) or [accountability staff](#) via email or phone at (608) 267-1072. To reach individual assessment and accountability staff, please refer to the [OEA Staff Directory](#). Each assessment also has an FAQ webpage with scenarios/issues related to that specific assessment:

- [ACCESS for ELLs FAQ](#)
- [ACT FAQ](#)
- [DLM FAQ](#)
- [Forward Exam FAQ](#)
- [PreACT Secure FAQ](#)

## Communications

New and returning DACs and DTCs must submit the [Annual DAC and DTC Update Forms](#) to ensure DPI has the most current contact information for each district by **October 6**. The forms must be signed by the district administrator.

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## ACCESS for ELLs

### Reminder:

#### Roster Uploads

DPI will upload a preliminary roster for public school students and choice schools submitting enrollment with EL status on October 12, and a final roster on October 26. Materials and Pre-ID Labels will be automatically ordered for students added to the DRC Insight portal by the close of business on October 26. This includes both public school students rostered by DPI and non-public school students rostered manually by districts.

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## ACT

### Reminder:

Please visit the [ACT webpage](#) for information, resources, and dates.

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## PreACT Secure

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## DLM

### Reminders:

Please visit the [DLM webpage](#) for information, resources, and dates.

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## Forward Exam

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Please visit the [Forward Exam webpage](#) for information, resources, and dates.

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## NAEP and International Assessments

### Reminder:

#### NAEP Field staff

Do you know retired educators in your communities who would like to be a part of the in-school data collection team? NAEP is hiring field staff to administer assessments in schools this winter. Field staff should be available to work during school hours between January 29 and March 8, 2024, and attend virtual training between January 3 and 19, 2024. Please share the [NAEP job announcement](#) with anyone who might be interested.

See the [NAEP webpage](#) for grade levels and content areas assessed, dates, additional information, and resources; and contact [Angela Dugas](#) with any questions.

## Reading Readiness

### Reminder:

For detailed information about requirements for screening go to the [Assessment of Reading Readiness Overview webpage](#).

## New Resources

As new resources are posted to our website, we will include them here for your convenience for a few weeks. This is NOT an exhaustive list but meant to highlight resources with significant relevance to our upcoming test windows.

Resource	Description	Assessment
<a href="#">How to use DLM Score Reports</a>	A new video training on interpreting and using Score Reports.	DLM
<a href="#">Fall District Training</a>	Self-guided training on roles within Educator Portal.	DLM

## Important Dates to Remember

Be sure to refer to each specific assessment calendar for a complete list of key dates.

Date	Event	Program
October 3	Preliminary secure school and district report cards are released in SAFE	Accountability
October 3 - October 16	Accountability Inquiry Window - opportunity for school and district staff to open questions with OEA	Accountability
October 6	Deadline to submit required annual DAC and DTC Update Forms	All
October 10	Public release of statewide assessment results	All
October 12	Preliminary Public School roster upload	ACCESS
October 15	NAEP school coordinators register on the AMS and complete the <i>School Information</i> section	NAEP
October 20	Deadline to register for in-person DAC Training	Forward
October 26	Final Public School roster upload, Private School window closes	ACCESS
November 2	Test Setup opens in DRC Insight/WIDA AMS	ACCESS
November 6	PearsonAccess <sup>next</sup> (PANext) opens for 2024	ACT



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