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Dear Educators,

We hope that your summer is going well! Below are a few reminders and information on the spring 2025 ACT and PreACT Secure assessments. Please forward this email on to all applicable staff.

DAC Reminders

DAC and DTC Update Forms

Districts may now begin submitting their 2024-25 annual [District Assessment Coordinator \(DAC\) and Technology Coordinator \(DTC\) contact update forms](#). **Forms are required for both new and returning DACs and DTCs, even if the information has not changed.** Accurate contact information ensures DACs received assessment and accountability updates and allows DPI to updated vendor portals with annual permissions. DAC and DTC Update forms must be signed by the District Administrator/ Superintendent.

Success.ACT

[Success.ACT](#) (Success) is ACT's data platform that houses all district and school ACT and PreACT Secure assessment data. As the Trusted Agent, **DACs should be actively managing users in Success to ensure data remains secure.** This includes deactivating old employees, adding new employees and managing roles for active employees.

2025 ACT and PreACT Secure Assessments

ACT (11th grade)

The spring 2025 statewide ACT assessment will begin on March 11. All 2025 testing dates can be found on the [DPI ACT calendar webpage](#). Districts will still have a choice to administer on paper, online or both paper and online. **As in previous years, five subjects will be assessed: English, math, reading, science and writing.**

PreACT Secure (9th&10th grade)

PreACT Secure will begin on March 17 and will test the subjects of English, math, reading and science. This assessment is only administered online, except for students who require paper testing as an accommodation. Testing dates can be found on the [DPI PreACT Secure calendar webpage](#).

Additional information on both the ACT and PreACT Secure, including access to the 2025 assessment portals, will be provided later this fall.

2024 Data Reminders

All vendor data files and aggregated reports for the ACT and PreACT Secure are available in Success.

ACT

ACT mailed student score reports home within 5-8 weeks post testing. If a student did not receive an Individual Score Report (ISR), they can view their scores in [MyACT](#) or schools can reprint a hard copy out of Success.

PreACT Secure

ACT does **not** mail PreACT Secure ISRs to students' homes. Each school/district must download student ISRs from Success and disseminate out to families. Please review the [May 28 PreACT Secure program email](#) for additional resources and instructions on how to download ISRs.

Sharing Assessment Results

DPI publicly releases summary test score data for the Wisconsin Student Assessment System (WSAS) in the fall. As such, DPI strongly recommends that districts coordinate their own public release with the DPI public release. After the secure release of results to districts and prior to the public release, DPI performs additional quality assurance, data validation, and data redaction when needed to protect student privacy.

Districts may share their summary assessment results with their school boards prior to the DPI public release. Districts may not publicly share personally identifiable information and therefore would be responsible to ensure shared results are redacted to comply with data security and student privacy requirements, as outlined in the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) and state law. More information about maintaining student data privacy is available on the [Student Data Privacy](#) webpage.

District summary data may be shared with district and school staff who understand the data security and student privacy requirements outlined in FERPA and state law. This allows district staff to use the data for professional development, continuous improvement efforts, and other planning purposes. Districts may share individual student reports with parents or guardians, teachers, school leaders, and others with a legitimate interest.

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