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## **Notice of Parents Right-to-Know Assessment Policy**

**RE: Every Student Succeeds Act (Public Law 114-95), Section 1112 (e)(2)(A) Dear Parent/Guardian:**

You have the right to know about the mandated assessments your child participates in. The federal Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) requires that any school district receiving Title I funds must notify parents that they may request, and the district will provide the parents on request (and in a timely manner), information regarding any State or local educational agency policy regarding student participation in any assessment mandated by ESSA, the State or district.

The White Lake School District Assessment policy po2623 :

The District Administrator shall develop a program of testing and assessment that includes:

State-required tests;

- curriculum-based written and oral examinations which include the use of alternative questions, demonstrations, writing exercises, individual and group projects, performances, portfolios, and samples of best work;
- assessment tests;
- achievement tests;
- vocational inventories.

The Board requires that:

Tests are administered by persons who are qualified under State law and regulation; parents are informed of the testing program of the schools and of the special tests that are to be administered to their children; the results of each school-wide, program-wide, and District-wide test are made part of the public record.

All students shall participate in State-wide or District-wide assessments, and any student with a disability shall be provided appropriate accommodation and/or alternate assessments where necessary as indicated in the student's I.E.P. or Section 504 plan.

Parental Opt-Out of Assessments (students)

The Board shall excuse any student from the State examination administered in 4th grade, 8th grade, 9th grade, 10th grade, or 11th grade whether the test administered is the one developed by the Department of Public Instruction or the District's own test developed and approved by the DPI and the U.S. Department of Education. To opt-out of these examinations, the student's parent must submit a statement in writing to the District Assessment Coordinator stating that the parent is opting out of the examination(s).

SCHOOL DISTRICT OF WHITE LAKE ASSESSMENT CALENDAR					
WINDOW	4K	K-3	4-6	7-8	9-12
FALL					
9/6/2024 - 10/31/2024		NWEA SCREENER (MAP) ELA & Math	NWEA SCREENER (MAP) ELA & Math	NWEA SCREENER (MAP) ELA & Math	NWEA SCREENER (MAP) ELA & Math
WINTER					
12/2/2024 - 1/31/20-24		NWEA SCREENER (MAP) Math	NWEA SCREENER (MAP) ELA & Math	NWEA SCREENER (MAP) ELA & Math	NWEA SCREENER (MAP) ELA & Math
12/2/10124 - 1/31/2025		PEARSON SCREENER (Aimswbplus)			
SPRING					
3/17/2025 - 4/25/2025		FORWARD Grade 3 Reading & Math	FORWARD Grade 4, 5 & 6 Reading & Math Grade 4 Science & Social Studies	FORWARD Grade 7 & 8 Reading & Math Grade 8 Science & Social Studies	FORWARD Grade 10 Social Studies
3/17/2025 - 4/25/2025		DLM	DLM	DLM	DLM
3/17/2025 - 4/25/2025					PRE ACT SECURE Grades 9 & 10

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3/25/2025					ACT + Writing Grade 11
3/31/2025 - 4/4/2025	PEARSON SCREENER (Aimswebplus)	PEARSON SCREENER (Aimswebplus)			
4/7/2025 - 4/30/2025		NWEA SCREENER (MAP) Math	NWEA SCREENER (MAP) ELA & Math	NWEA SCREENER (MAP) ELA & Math	NWEA SCREENER (MAP) ELA & Math

## ACCESS

ACCESS allows educators, ELs, and families to monitor EL's progress in acquiring academic English in the domains of speaking, listening, reading, and writing.	
Information for Families:	Family Brochure: <a href="#">English</a> Family Brochure: <a href="#">Spanish</a>
Subject matter and grade levels assessed:	Grades K-12, English language proficiency for students identified as English Learners (ELs)
Law or policy requiring assessment:	ESSA and Wisconsin State Statute 115.96(1)
Time students will spend on the assessment:	The ACCESS test is untimed, and students have the time needed to produce scorable content. ACCESS typically takes 1-4.5 hours to complete, depending on grade and test format.
Schedule for assessment:	ACCESS is administered annually in the winter. See: <a href="#">EL Calendar</a>  White Lake School District will notify parents of specific testing dates with state windows
Schedule and format for sharing results:	PDF student score reports are available in multiple languages, with paper copies provided in English during the spring. Districts distribute parent school reports either in late spring or early in the next school year. See: <a href="#">EL Data</a>  The White Lake School District will notify parents of specific testing dates with the stated windows.
Department of Instruction website:	<a href="#">DPI ACCESS</a>

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## ACT with Writing

ACT with writing helps students understand what they need to learn next to build rigorous high school course plans and identify career areas that align with their interests. It can be used for college enrollment, scholarships, and National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) eligibility requirements.

Information for Families:	Family Brochure: <a href="#">English</a> Family Brochure: <a href="#">Spanish</a>
Subject matter and grade levels assessed:	Grade 11 for reading, English, mathematics, science, and writing Law or policy requiring assessment: ESSA and Wisconsin State Statute 118.30
Time students will spend on the assessment:	ACT with writing takes 3 hours, 55 minutes to complete, including breaks. See: <a href="#">ACT Resources</a>
Schedule for assessment:	ACT with writing is administered annually in the spring. See: <a href="#">ACT Calendar</a>  White Lake School District will notify parents of specific testing dates with the stated windows.
Schedule and format for sharing results:	Student Score Reports are available online and mailed 5-8 weeks after the assessment. See: <a href="#">ACT Results</a>  *May be subject to change, see the assessment webpage for the most up to date information.
Department of Instruction website:	<a href="#">ACT Plus Writing</a>

## PreACT Secure

PreACT Secure can be used to predict future ACT scores and possible areas of strength and challenges.

Information for Families:	Brochure: <a href="#">English</a> Brochure: <a href="#">Spanish</a>
Subject matter and grade levels assessed:	Grades 9 and 10 for reading, English, mathematics, and science
Law or policy requiring assessment:	Wisconsin State Statute 118.30

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Time students will spend on the assessment:	PreACT Secure assessments take 2 hours, 50 minutes to complete, including breaks. See: <a href="#">PreACT Timing</a>
Schedule for assessment:	PreACT Secure is administered annually in the spring. See: <a href="#">PreACT Calendar</a>  White Lake School District will notify parents of specific testing dates with the stated windows.
Schedule and format for sharing results:	Students receive individual reports. See: <a href="#">PreACT Reporting</a>
Department of Instruction website:	<a href="#">PreACT</a>

## Forward Exam

The Forward Exam gauges how well students are doing in relation to the Wisconsin Academic Standards and how well districts and the state are supporting students to meet those standards.	
Information for Families:	Brochure: <a href="#">English</a> Brochure: <a href="#">Spanish</a>
Subject matter and grade levels assessed:	Grades 3-8 in English language arts (ELA) and mathematics Grades 4 & 8 in science Grades 4, 8 and 10 in social studies
Law or policy requiring the assessment:	Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) and Wisconsin State Statute 118.30
Time students will spend taking the assessment:	The Forward Exam is untimed. Students take different sections over multiple days. See: <a href="#">Forward Timing</a>
Schedule for the assessment:	The Forward Exam is administered annually in the spring. <b>See:</b> <a href="#">Forward Calendar</a>  White Lake School District will notify parents of specific testing dates with the stated windows.
Schedule and format for sharing results:	Students receive individual reports. See: <a href="#">Availability</a>

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Department of Public Instruction website:	<a href="#">DPI Forward Exam</a>
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## Dynamic Learning Maps (DLM)

DLM assesses the academic progress of students with significant cognitive disabilities. It is administered online.	
Information for Families:	Brochure: <a href="#">English</a> Brochure: <a href="#">Spanish</a>
Subject matter and grade levels assessed:	Grades 3-11 in ELA and mathematics Grades 4, 8-11 in science Grades 4, 8, and 10 in social studies
Law or policy requiring assessment:	ESSA and Wisconsin State Statute 118.30
Time students will spend on the assessment:	DLM test is untimed. Sections of the assessment are taken over multiple days
Schedule for the assessment:	DLM is administered annually in the spring. See: <a href="#">DLM Calendar</a>  White Lake School District will notify parents of specific testing dates with the stated windows.
Schedule and format for sharing results:	Students receive individual reports and learning profiles. See: <a href="#">DLM Reports</a>
Department of Instruction website:	<a href="#">Dynamic Learning Maps - DLM</a>

## Early Literacy Screener - aimswebPlus

Districts must assess fundamental reading skills in order to inform and identify students with reading needs. Districts are required to provide interventions or remedial services to address the needs consistent with the state standards in reading and language arts.	
Information for Families:	Assessment Matrix shows the assessments for each grade level:

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">Reading Readiness Assessment Matrix- English</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">Reading Readiness Assessment Matrix- Spanish</a></li> </ul>
Subject matter and grade levels assessed:	Grades 4K-3 for reading readiness
Law or policy requiring the assessment:	Wisconsin State Statute 118.016, ACT 20
Time students will spend taking the assessment:	The district uses aimswebPlus to screen students on a range of subtests depending on the grade level. Testing tasks take 1 to 3 minutes and are administered either in a group or individually depending on the grade level and required task.
Schedule for the assessment:	The aimswebPlus screener is administered two times a year in 4K and 3 times a year in grades K-3. This is followed by iReady literacy tasks for those who are in the bottom 25%ile.
Schedule and format for sharing results:	Students receive individual reports within 10 days of completing the assessment.
Department of Public Instruction website:	<a href="#">ACT 20 Early Literacy Assessment</a>

## MAP Growth

MAP Growth Diagnostic is an adaptive district assessment English Language Arts and Mathematics. The assessment adjusts the difficulty level of questions for each student.	
Information for Families:	<a href="#">MAP Growth Family Center</a>
Subject matter and grade levels assessed:	Grades K-11 English Language Arts (ELA) and Math, Early Literacy tasks for some 4K-3 based on the aimswebPLUS screener.
Time students will spend on assessment:	MAP Growth reading and math assessments take about 40 minutes each
Schedule for assessment:	MAP Growth is administered in fall, winter and spring
Schedule and format for sharing results	MAP Growth results are shared with families through their teachers
Use	Teachers use information to adjust instruction. Personalized online lessons are also based on the assessment.

## Civics Test

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Wisconsin statute requires that any students graduating from a Wisconsin high school (starting with the class of 2017) "takes a civics test comprised of 100 questions that are identical to the 100 questions that may be asked of an individual during the process of applying for U.S. citizenship by the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services.	
Subject Matter and grade levels assessed:	One time in grades 9-12, typically in the grade 10 Civics class
Purpose and use of the assessment:	The Civics test is a graduation requirement
Law or policy requiring the assessment:	Wis. Stat. sec. 118.33(1m)(a)1, Section 3266R
Time students will spend taking the assessment:	Students typically spend 1-2 hours to complete the civics exam
Schedule for the assessment:	Students take the civics exam during their junior level social studies course
Schedule and format for sharing results:	Results are reported within days of the assessment
Wisconsin Department of Instruction website:	<b><u>Civics Test</u></b>