



WDE Assessment Updates

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Data Report for March 29th - Spring Snapshot

Please make sure that your students are correctly reported for the March 29th snapshot. This file enables the Department to locate and track students. If this snapshot is filed incorrectly or has missing students, there will be delays in reporting for testing. This information is important for accountability so it is essential that it is done correctly. Please note that we have newly added fields for ninth and tenth grade students to identify whether or not they should receive an alternate assessment. Using this field, WDE will be able to ensure exemptions from testing since no ALT exists for grades 9 and 10 this year.

ACT Suite of Assessments Update

Schools should have received their first boxes from ACT this week containing non-secure materials. This includes items like the Answer Documents necessary for pretest sessions. Secure materials are scheduled to be shipped the week of April 15. EXPLORE and PLAN materials are beginning to ship and will be sent no later than April 1st.

COMPASS Information

For the 2013 administration of COMPASS, schools may test students any time up to and through May 3. Students can opt to take any of the following initial test packages that have been set up for the schools:

- ◆ COMPASS Calculus Placement Test-Start in College Algebra
- ◆ COMPASS e-Write (2-12 score scale)
- ◆ COMPASS e-Write (2-8 score scale)
- ◆ COMPASS Mathematics Placement Only-Start in Algebra
- ◆ COMPASS Mathematics Placement Only-Start in PreAlgebra
- ◆ COMPASS Reading Placement Only Test
- ◆ COMPASS Writing Skills Placement Only Test
- ◆ Wyoming Read/Write/Math Placement Start in Prealgebra

Any school requesting another test package or with questions about these packages should contact Jessica Steinbrenner at jessica.steinbrenner@wyo.gov or at 307-777-8568.

Test administrators may want to check their workstation setup prior to student testing. To test your workstation setup, please use the student last name: Setup and the WISER ID/Student ID of 111111111. This will allow you to enter the assessment without consuming units.

Important Upcoming Dates:

- NOW -- [ACT Plus Writing Training is posted](#)
- ◆ [Standard Time Room Supervisor/Proctor Training Webcast](#)
 - ◆ [Accommodations Room Supervisor/Proctor Training Webcast](#)
- [EXPLORE and PLAN Administration Training is posted](#)
- April 5 -- PAWS and PAWS-ALT Windows Close
- April 8 -- MAP Window Opens
- April 15 -- SAWS-ALT Window Opens
- April 22 -- SAWS Window Opens
- EXPLORE and PLAN Windows Open
- April 23 -- ACT Plus Writing
- April 24 -- WorkKeys