



# Testing and Accountability

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# Regional Accountability Coordinators

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Next Generation Academy	Essie Mae Kiser Foxx Charter School	East Voyager Academy of Charlotte	Raleigh Oak Charter School		
The Experiential School of Greensboro	Monroe Charter Academy	Mountain Island Day Community Charter School	Rolesville Charter Academy		
	Moore Montessori Community School				
	Apprentice Academy HS of NC				

# 10/20 Day Rule For Course Enrollment



## Ensuring Accurate Membership Files

- State Board Policy reference TEST-003
- Exceptions
  - Transfer student inappropriately placed in an EOC course
  - Student is withdrawn from a course to enroll in a higher-level course
  - Valid medical reason for removing a student from an EOC course
- All requests for withdrawals from courses after the 10/20 day timeframe are to be submitted to the Director of Accountability Services

# Course Codes



## Accountability Purposes

- Monitored throughout entire year
  - 10/20 Day Rule
- Order/Preparing test materials
- Identify students to be assessed
  - Participation in course specific assessments
- Provided to EVAAS to populate Roster Verification (Educator Effectiveness)
- Historical Audits and Enrollment Auditing
  - Check course enrollment in PowerSchool early and often (particularly when contracting services)

# Medical Exceptions



Who,  
How  
&  
Why

- Memo posted to TNN each year in August and included in fall RAC training
- Outlines procedure, required materials, and timelines for submission
- If granted; student will not count against school's performance/participation calculations
- All Medical Exception requests must be submitted through NC Education

# Charter School Testing Plans



## Testing Plans

- Must create testing plan, including but not limited to
  - Testing calendar
  - Processes and procedures for administration
  - Test security
    - Locked area
    - Limited access
  - Local policies when state policy allows flexibility (e.g., students reading after testing is complete, moving students for maximum testing time, etc.)
  - Data confidentiality

# Charter School Testing Coordinators



## Testing Coordinators

- Must assign staff member to be testing coordinator
- Staff member must be approved to have access to confidential teacher and student data
- Must be available to meet with administration regularly
- Staff member must be able to attend all meetings/trainings and be available to respond to phone calls and emails in a timely manner
- Must have strong organization, communication, and computer skills

# NC Education



## NCEd Website

- Used to manage testing and accountability access and information
  - Testing News Network (TNN)
  - Test administration information (preview of online test administration)
  - Linked to NCTest (online test administration)
- Test Coordinator must have account in NC Education
- RACs will provide more information on NC Education and getting connected



# Beginning-of-Grade 3 Test



## Purpose & Use of Beginning- of-Grade 3 Assessment

- Baseline measure of beginning of third-grade students' English Language Arts/Reading skills
- Teacher growth tool determines if teachers are well-suited to teach summer reading camps and may be used as a teacher evaluation artifact
- Achievement Level 3 or higher satisfies reading proficiency for Read to Achieve
- If proficient on BOG3 but not on EOG for ELA/Reading, BOG3 will count as proficient in state accountability reporting
- Included in School Accountability Growth

# PreACT Grade 10



## Why, When & How

- Required to be administered by state law G.S. 115C-174.11(c)(4)
- Must be administered (Oct 15-Nov 30)  
\*school will determine test dates within the window
- Educational Directory and Demographical Information Exchange (EDDIE) must be updated in order for schools to be eligible to order/administer this assessments

# PreACT Alternate Assessment



## Alternates

- **Alternate assessment for PreACT:**

The College and Career Readiness Alternate Assessment (CCRAA grade 10)

- Available for 10<sup>th</sup> graders who qualify to take this test, have appropriate documentation in IEP, and required parent/guardian permission.
- For students in the North Carolina Extended Content Standards, the ***NCEXTEND1*** alternate assessments of English II, Math I, and Biology serve as the alternate assessment for the PreACT.

# Flexible Testing Waivers



- Process is posted annually to TNN in August
- Applies **only** to schools with established alternative instructional programs where multiple students complete course work before the normal end of semester or yearlong schedule (G.S. 115C-105.26)
- If approved, schools are allowed to administer assessments outside the normal testing window (must be administered online)
- Applies to EOC & NCFE assessments

# English Learners



[W-APT Webpage](#)

[North Carolina WIDA  
Webpage](#)

[NCDPI Accountability  
Services Testing LEP  
Students Webpage](#)

- Home Language Survey completed as directed by NCDPI EL division
- Results of Home Language Survey will determine if a student should be looked for in the Consolidated Federal Data Collection or administered the
  - W-APT for Kindergarten or
  - WIDA-Screener for grades 1-12
- W-APT assessment must be administered according to rules of identification
  - W-APT materials are available to charter schools after obtaining a username and password.



## District and School Administrators

- Each charter school must have a District Admin. and School Admin.
  - Can be same person
- EVAAS reporting and Roster Verification (RV)
- District Admin. must submit security agreement to NCDPI for account creation
  - District Admin. approves School Admin. accounts
  - School Admin. approves teacher accounts
- RACs provide support on policy questions during RV

# Economically Disadvantaged Students



## EDS Data Collection

- Schools who participate in the National School Lunch Program
  - Collect data per MOU with School Nutrition
- Schools who do not participate in the National School Lunch Program
  - No local data collection is required
  - Data is collected through School Nutrition at NCDPI and provided to Accountability Services for student level EDS identification

# Update on School Accountability



ESSA

School  
Performance  
Grades

- Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA)
  - Federal and State Accountability Model is the NC defined School Performance Grades
  - Requirement for all schools
  - All schools must participate in testing and accountability required under ESSA
    - 3-8 ELA and Math and one time in High School
    - Science once per grade span (NC completes this requirement at 5, 8 & HS)





Any questions  
you have after  
today can be  
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your Regional  
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Coordinator