

Assessment News Alert- Aug. 28, 2025

This message was sent to assessment coordinators in public school districts and several approved programs and non-public school systems.

Regional Assessment Coordinator Trainings

This training will cover South Dakota's state assessments: SD-ACT, grades 3-8 required assessments, alternate assessments, and ACCESS for English Language Proficiency. Participants will also receive detailed training on TIDE 18.0 for test administration and management, as well as handling supports and accommodations. Register for an upcoming training using one of the following links. All trainings will go from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. local time.

- [Sept. 3 in Aberdeen](#)
- [Sept. 4 in Sioux Falls](#)
- [Sept. 18 in Faith](#)
- [Sept. 24 in Rapid City](#)
- [Sept. 25 in Pierre](#)

Interim Assessment Training Opportunity

The Office of Assessment & Accountability is providing an Interim Assessment training for teachers and administrators. **Forward this opportunity to your teachers and administrators.** They can use the link below to register for a training. Be on the lookout for future training opportunities.

- [Sept. 19 in Clark](#) from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. CT
- [Sept. 26 in Centerville](#) from 1-3 p.m. CT

Assessment Coordinator Changes

The Assessment Coordinator for each district can be viewed on the [SD Educational Directory](#). If this contact is incorrect, report it to the Educational Directory Contact within your district so they can update the contact information. **Deadline to update Ed Directory is Sept. 1, 2025.**

Download MSAA Test Results before Sept. 5

South Dakota ELA-Alternate and Math-Alternate spring 2025 results are currently available in the [MSAA System](#). District Test Coordinators must download test results for students in their district **before Sept. 5, 2025 at 5 p.m. CT**. Districts are federally required to provide results of individual student state assessment performance to parents. Print and send MSAA results to parents and share with Test Administrators as soon as possible. The [2025 Score Report Interpretation Guide](#) and MSAA Parent Guides per grade level on the [Alternate Assessment Website](#) can also be shared with parents. E-mail DOEassessment@state.sd.us with any questions.

NAEP School Technology Survey - Action Required

Schools participating in the spring NAEP administration must complete the School Technology Survey by **Sept. 19**. If your district works with a technology contractor, contact them immediately to ensure the survey is completed on time.