

# Assessment News Alert:

## Sept. 4, 2024

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

### Math, ELA, Science, and Alternate Assessment Updates

#### MSAA Data Download by September 6, 2024

South Dakota ELA-Alternate and Math-Alternate Spring 2024 results are currently available in the [MSAA System](#). District Test Coordinators must download test results for the students in their district **before September 6 at 5:00pm CT**. Please print and send MSAA results to parents as soon as possible. Districts are federally required to provide results of individual student performance on the MSAA to parents. Please e-mail [DOEAassessment@state.sd.us](mailto:DOEAassessment@state.sd.us) with any questions.

#### New Assessment Coordinator Training

[Register now for the all new Assessment Coordinators \(ACs\), there will be a New AC Training](#) via Zoom on **September 10** from 10:00 am to 12:00 pm CT (9:00 am to 11: am MT).

#### Three-Year Target Report

If your school or district would like a 3-year target data report, please reach out to [Rebecca Frerichs](#).

#### Fall Interims 101 Assessment Workshops (Share with teachers and principals)

As your students return to the classroom this fall, administrators and teachers will be considering the question of, “What knowledge and skills do my students currently possess and how can I assist my students to work toward grade-level skills?” SDDOE will be presenting in-person workshops that will give an in-depth look at all you need to know about the state-provided Interim Assessments and administering them. The workshop will include presentations by professionals from other districts to help teachers and administrators find the most efficient and effective way to assess students. During the workshop, participants will be given time to explore the resources and your district’s systems with DOE personnel on hand to assist with any questions or issues. All workshops will go from 10 am to 3 pm local time. Register for one of the trainings below. Questions? Email [Rebecca Frerichs](#).

- [October 1 – Aberdeen](#)
- [October 2 – Watertown](#)
- [October 3 – Sioux Falls](#)
- [October 9 – Pierre](#)
- [October 10 – Rapid City](#)

#### Changes to District Users

If you need your district assessment coordinator or a district administrator added or deleted, please send the request to [doeassessment@state.sd.us](mailto:doeassessment@state.sd.us). You as the Assessment Coordinator (AC) can update all other accounts.

#### Interim Comprehensive Assessments (ICAs)

If your district would like to utilize the ICAs, please email [doeassessment@state.sd.us](mailto:doeassessment@state.sd.us) to make the request. You will need to explain why and how you will use the ICAs.

#### Communication

If you have any questions about assessments, please feel free to email [doeassessment@state.sd.us](mailto:doeassessment@state.sd.us) or *reach out to us individually*.

Our Assessment Team is looking forward to working with you this year!

Here is our team:

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