



IREAD Summer School Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

The Indiana Department of Education (IDOE) developed the following resource to provide general information regarding the Indiana Reading Evaluation and Determination (IREAD) assessment and summer school for students in grades two and three. More information can be found on IDOE's [IREAD webpage](#) and the [Indiana Assessment Portal](#).

Requirements for Grade Two Students

Number	Question	Answer
1	What are the next steps for a grade two student who does not pass IREAD?	<p>Grade two students in public, charter, and state-accredited, non-public schools who do not pass during the spring or summer IREAD administrations must receive appropriate support and remediation prior to retesting in the spring of grade three.</p> <p>Beginning in summer 2025, summer school must be offered for students in grade two who score "At Risk." More information can be found here.</p> <p>Any student in grade two who did not pass IREAD may also participate in the IREAD Summer Retest. School staff should consider the spring IREAD results, other reading data, conversations with families, and interventions needed to make the decision.</p>

Requirements for Grade Three Students

Number	Question	Answer
2	What are the next steps for a grade three student who does not pass IREAD?	<p>Grade three students in public, charter, and state-accredited, non-public schools who do not pass during the spring or summer IREAD administrations must receive appropriate support and remediation prior to retesting as a retained third-grade student.</p> <p>Beginning in summer 2025, summer school must be offered for students in grade three who score "Did Not Pass." More information can be found here.</p> <p>A student who is not subject to the retention requirement based on their eligibility for the new Good Cause Exemption (GCE) must be provided additional reading instruction aligned with science of reading practices until they achieve a passing score on the IREAD assessment. Refer to this guidance for more information.</p>

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3	Do students who receive GCEs still participate in the IREAD Summer Retest?	Yes, students will participate in IREAD spring and summer administrations until they pass or are promoted to grade seven. This requirement begins with students who receive GCEs after the 2025 IREAD Summer Retest.
4	What happens if a grade three student does not attend summer school offerings or participate in the IREAD Summer Retest?	Schools should document communication attempts with families outlining IREAD testing requirements, supports, and timelines. Students who do not pass IREAD and are not eligible for a new GCE must be retained in grade three under Indiana law.

Reading Remediation Summer School Programs

Number	Question	Answer
5	When can summer school programming begin?	Summer programming can begin after the conclusion of the school’s standard academic year calendar. The IREAD Summer Retest must take place after summer remediation opportunities are offered and during the 2025 IREAD Summer Retest window , which occurs Monday, May 12, through Friday, June 27.
6	Is there a minimum number of students who must be enrolled for the reading remediation summer school?	Pursuant to Indiana Code (IC) 20-30-7-1(b) , summer school for IREAD remediation is exempt from the standard 15-student minimum requirement for summer school courses.
7	What courses may be taught for IREAD remediation summer school?	Eligible summer school courses for students receiving IREAD remediation include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 0480.02 Reading and Literature ● 0480.03 Reading and Literature
8	What are the requirements for an instructor to teach IREAD summer school?	Summer school programming for IREAD remediation must be taught by a teacher, instructor, or tutor who is trained in science of reading, meaning the instructor must have completed at least 25 hours from the Early Literacy Endorsement Verified Professional Development Programs and be working toward earning the Early Literacy Endorsement if required for

		their license renewal after June 30, 2027. More information on the Early Literacy Endorsement can be found here .
9	What are the curriculum requirements for students receiving required reading remediation?	Curriculum or intervention materials for students receiving reading remediation during the academic year and summer school must be aligned with science of reading. Schools that choose to use curriculum not listed on IDOE’s high-quality curricular materials advisory lists are responsible for conducting a review to ensure compliance with IC 20-31-3-2 (b). The K-5 core and supplemental rubrics may be referenced when evaluating reading materials for local use.
10	What guidelines should schools follow when providing remediation for students who do not pass IREAD in the spring?	<p>Students who do not pass IREAD this spring should receive additional support on the five components of reading, including foundational reading skills and reading comprehension. More information can be found on IDOE’s Literacy Development webpage.</p> <p>Remediation may look different for each student and should be based on individual student needs; however, all remediation should align with science of reading practices. Schools are encouraged to consult the Literacy Frameworks as they plan remediation for students and IDOE’s IREAD Remediation Support.</p>
11	What are the reading plan requirements for students who attend less than 90% of the summer reading program?	IC 20-30-7-13 (d) requires students to participate in an individual reading plan aligned with science of reading the following school year if they participate in less than 90% of a required summer program. More details about required individual reading plans following 2025 summer programming will be released this spring.
12	Will schools be reimbursed for 100% of the costs associated with holding IREAD remediation summer school?	IC 20-30-7-1(b) directs the Indiana State Board of Education (SBOE) to prioritize funding for grade two and three reading. The reimbursed costs will be determined based on the Indiana General Assembly’s decisions when finalizing the details of the state’s biennium budget.

General IREAD Summer Retest Information

Number	Question	Answer
13	Which students must participate in the IREAD Summer Retest?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Students from a non-accredited Indiana school or out-of-state school who enrolled in grade three at an accredited Indiana school after the spring IREAD testing window but before the end of the school year; ● Students in grades three, four, and five who took IREAD in the spring but do not have a passing score (e.g., Did Not Pass, Undetermined, Invalid); ● Students in grade two who did not pass IREAD may also participate in the IREAD Summer Retest. School staff should consider the spring IREAD results, other reading data, conversations with families, and interventions needed to make the decision.
14	How many times may a student participate in the IREAD Summer Retest?	A student participating in the IREAD Summer Retest is allowed one opportunity within the applicable testing window.
15	What flexibility do schools have when scheduling students for this administration?	Schools are responsible for scheduling individual students to participate in the IREAD Summer Retest during the testing window and communicating this opportunity with parents.

Contact IDOE’s [Literacy Center](#) for K-5 curricular materials or science of reading support, [Office of Student Assessment](#) for assessment support, or [Office of School Finance](#) for summer school program support.

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