

**Indiana Education Scholarship Account  
2024-2025  
State Assessment  
FAQ's**

To be eligible for the ESA program, the eligible student will take the statewide assessment (IREAD, ILEARN, IAM, SAT, WIDA), as applicable based on the eligible student's grade level, or the assessment specified in the eligible student's service plan.

If a parent/EES selects not to have their student complete state assessment requirement the parent/EES may choose to terminate the INESA agreement prior to the end of the school year by email to [ESA@tos.in.gov](mailto:ESA@tos.in.gov).

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Accommodations		
1	Who is responsible for testing accommodations?	A Case Conference Committee (CCC) determines daily and assessment accommodations. The classroom teacher is responsible for providing daily accommodations and the Test Administrator (TA) is responsible for ensuring a student receives their testing accommodations during an assessment. Prior to the assessment a Corporation Test Coordinator (CTC) or School Test Coordinator (STC) verifies accommodations have been entered into the assessment delivery system.

		<p><b>Nonpublic accredited schools ESA SP students</b></p> <p>Each school must enter a student's accommodations into the school's SIS, if the student is supported by an ESA SP. (No action is needed for SP, CSEP, or district placed IEP students)</p> <p>Student accommodations that are entered into the SCOLS during the ESA SP process <u>do not transfer</u> to the nonpublic school's SIS.</p>
2	Who enters accommodations for homeschool/non-accredited school students?	School of legal settlement through a Case Conference Committee (CCC) which determines daily and assessment accommodations. School of legal settlement creates the Individual Education Plan (IEP) and ESA SP documentation.
3	How does a parent ask for testing accommodations?	Accommodations are established during an annual case conference and entered into the IEP. Accommodations are assigned for daily assignments and assessments. Accommodations are considered for assessments should be used as daily accommodations. Parents and the Case Conference Committee team discuss concerns and academic progress.
4	When does a parent ask for accommodations?	Accommodations are established during an annual case conference and entered into the IEP. Accommodations are assigned for daily assignments and assessments. Parents and the Case Conference Committee team discuss concerns and academic progress.

5	How does the parent know the accommodations are “in the system”?	<p>Parents should receive a copy of the IEP.</p> <p>IDOE has a nightly feed in which the information in the IEP is ingested into various systems such as the testing platforms and assessment data files.</p> <p>If an IEP has not been completed or finalized, accommodations will not be entered in the assessment platforms.</p>
Location:		
6	Where can my student test?	<p>The Treasurer of State’s office has a list of testing sites. Parents should plan well in advance to ensure they know the testing schedule and can plan accordingly.</p> <p><a href="https://www.in.gov/tos/inesa/state-testing/">https://www.in.gov/tos/inesa/state-testing/</a></p>
Preparation for testing:		
7	What are the state tests my student needs to take?	<p>Grades 2 – 12*.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• WIDA ACCESS or Alternate ACCESS until fluent</li> <li>• IREAD until pass</li> <li>• ILEARN: Math, English/language arts; Science/biology; social students/US government</li> <li>• IAM: Math, English/language arts; Science/biology; social students/US government</li> <li>• SAT: math and reading, NO essay</li> </ul> <p>*Dependent on student’s grade level and accommodations documented service plan.</p>
8	Can my student take alternative tests to ILEARN,	No. Alternative tests do not satisfy the state testing requirement per Indiana law.

	IREAD, IAM, SAT, WIDA that fulfil state requirement?	Alternative tests to IREAD, ILEARN, IAM, WIDA, SAT are an eligible expense of the INESA program. Parents/EES may use ESA grant funds for fees of norm referenced or advanced placement exams.
9	Can my student take a state test outside of Indiana?	<p>No. Tests from other states do not satisfy the state testing requirement per Indiana law.</p> <p>Alternative tests to IREAD, ILEARN, IAM, WIDA, SAT are an eligible expense of the INESA program. Parents/EES may use ESA grant funds for fees of norm referenced or advanced placement exams.</p>
10	What is the expectation?	<p>Parents and students should receive information from the testing site about what is needed prior to testing, testing site information, schedule, etc.</p> <p>A practice test is required prior to testing so students understand the test delivery system and accommodation tools provided.</p>
11	What happens if my student's accommodations are not prepared per IEP/SP when I arrive at the testing location?	<p>Depending on the specific accommodation, the student may not be able to test and will need to return the next testing day.</p> <p>It is imperative that families have an up-to-date IEP or SP finalized to ensure the accommodations are in the system.</p>
12	How long is the testing window?	<p>IDOE provides an assessment calendar annually. The 2024-2025 testing dates can be found <a href="#">here</a>.</p> <p>Schools determine their own testing dates within each window. It's important for</p>

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13	When does my student test?	<p>IDOE provides an assessment calendar annually.</p> <p>The 2024-2025 testing dates can be found <a href="#">here</a>.</p> <p>Schools determine their own testing dates within each window. It's important for families to work with schools or testing vendor to know which dates to be present for testing.</p>
14	Can I test in the summer?	<p>The only summer window available is the IREAD Summer Retest.</p> <p>2024-2025 testing dates can be found <a href="#">here</a>. Schools determine their own testing dates within each window. It's important for families to work with schools to know which dates to be present for testing.</p>
15	What questions/examples are asked?	Students and families can access the Released Items Repository (RIR) on the <a href="#">Indiana Assessment Portal</a> to view sample items for ILEARN, IREAD, and I AM.
16	Are there practice tests students can take to prepare for testing?	<p>ILEARN, IREAD, and I AM all have required practice tests that students must take before taking the operational assessment. The practice test allows the students to become familiar with the testing platform, testing tools, and any accommodations they may have for testing.</p> <p>SAT Suite of Assessments <a href="#">practice</a>: Full-length practice tests are available on Bluebook™ as well as downloadable paper</p>

		(nonadaptive) practice tests help students prepare for the SAT, PSAT/NMSQT, PSAT 10, and PSAT 8/9. Students can also practice via Khan Academy's <a href="#">Official Digital SAT® Prep</a> . Practice questions are also available for educators via College Board's <a href="#">Educator Question Bank</a> .
Customer Service:		
17	Who can a parent speak to at IDOE to answer my questions regarding testing?	<p>Testing: Office of Student Assessment, <a href="mailto:inassessments@doe.in.gov">inassessments@doe.in.gov</a></p> <p>Accommodations: Office of Special Education <a href="mailto:specialeducation@doe.in.gov">specialeducation@doe.in.gov</a></p>
18	My student was exempt from testing in public school, who can I speak to get documentation on exemption?	<p>The Indiana Assessment Policy Manual can be found <a href="#">here</a>. All students are required to participate in state assessments. Section 3 provides opt-out policy.</p> <p>To be eligible for the ESA program, the eligible student will take the statewide assessment, as applicable based on the eligible student's grade level, as provided under IC 20-32-5.1, or the assessment specified in the eligible student's:</p> <p>(A) individualized education program; (B) service plan; (C) choice special education plan; or (D) 504 plan.</p> <p>If a parent/EES selects not to have their student complete state assessment requirement to participate in the INESA</p>

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Other		
19	<p>What rights does a parent have (law) for the student to test?</p>	<p>The Indiana Assessment Policy Manual can be found <a href="#">here</a>. All students are required to participate in state assessments. Section 3 provides opt-out policy.</p> <p>To be eligible for the ESA program, the eligible student will take the statewide assessment, as applicable based on the eligible student's grade level, as provided under IC 20-32-5.1, or the assessment specified in the eligible student's:</p> <p>(A) individualized education program;          (B) service plan;          (C) choice special education plan; or          (D) 504 plan.</p> <p>If a parent/EES selects not to have their student complete state assessment</p>

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20	How does retention apply to a student on a Service Plan?	Add 5 criteria, retained, add legal info
21	To ensure a successful testing experience...	IDOE needs a record of student name, STN, grade level, finalized IEP, and testing site.
22	Where can I find general information about each assessment?	<p>IDOE website: General information about Indiana's assessments can be found <a href="#">here</a>.</p> <p>Learning Lab Family Hub: All parents and families of Indiana students can create a free account for the Indiana Learning Lab. Directions for creating this account and a tour of the Parent and Family Support Hub can be <a href="#">found here</a>.</p>





		<p>unless receiving a general certificate of education (GCE) after spring <b>and</b> summer IREAD attempts <b>and</b> the school would need to offer summer school opportunities.</p> <p>Students who do not pass IREAD, whether promoted or not, continue to be reassessed in the spring and summer until they pass or are promoted to grade 7.</p>
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Case Conference Committee (CCC)  
 Choice Service Plan (CSEP)  
 Corporation Test Coordinator (CTC)  
 ESA Service Plan (ESA SP)  
 Indiana Department of Education (IDOE)  
 Indiana Education Scholarship Account (INESA, ESA)  
 Released Items Repository (RIR)  
 School Corporation of Legal Settlement (SCOLS)  
 School Test Coordinator (STC)  
 Service Plan (SP)  
 Student Information System (SIS)  
 Student Test Number (STN, ED-ID)  
 Test Administrator (TA)  
 Treasurer of State (TOS)