

## STATE ASSESSMENTS UPDATE

*Week of August 6, 2018*

### SCHOOLS SELECTED BY NCDPI FOR PARTICIPATION IN FIELD TESTS AND SPECIAL STUDIES 2018-19

Earlier this month, the State Board of the Education (SBE) approved the field tests and special studies that will be administered during the 2018-19 school year. The field tests and special studies scheduled for this school year are listed in the attached [2018-19 Field Tests and Special Studies Calendar](#). The individual schools selected to participate in the field tests/special studies are available [here](#). In addition to the *2018-19 Field Tests and Special Studies Calendar*, the [SAMPLE Parent/Guardian Field Test Notification Letter](#) is also provided. Please review this information carefully. **To appeal a school's participation in field testing for the 2018-19 academic year principals should sign and return the attached [Request to Appeal Field Test/Special Study Participation form](#) to the Office of State Assessments by the close of business Monday, August 13, 2018.**

### TRAINING – BEGINNING OF GRADE 3 – BOG3 – COURSE # 9744

DAY/DATE	TIME	TOPIC	SECTION	PARTICIPANTS	LOCATION
8/14/2018	10am-12pm	BOG-3	16147	Elementary TC and/or back-up	Cafeteria

The training is mandatory for elementary test coordinators (with the exception of year-round TCs and traditional TCs who attended the July training). Be sure to sign up in NCEES – True North Logic.

**NOTE:** 1) Training materials are prepared based on pre-registration. 2) One hard copy of each manual will be provided for each school Test Coordinator. Soft copies of each manual will be made available on DPS Central for any additional attendees.

### 2018-19 SCHOOL TEST COORDINATOR ASSIGNMENTS

As we prepare for the new 2018-19 school year, the information in the Educational Directory and Demographical Information Exchange (EDDIE) must be verified and updated. Please **complete, sign** the form linked [here](#) and **fax** the form to the Office of State Assessments; Attn: Crystal Vaught at (919) 560-2067 or email [crystal.vaught@dpsnc.net](mailto:crystal.vaught@dpsnc.net) before the close of business on Friday, August 31, 2018. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the Office of State Assessments.

### HISTORICAL AUDIT AND EXPECTED TEST FILES

The historical audit and expected test files for August are now available in RADD. Click [here](#) for more information on understanding and using historical audits. Click [here](#) for a list of reason codes from the 2017-2018 school year.

### NEW OPTIONS/FEATURES FOR 2018-2019 ONLINE TEST ADMINISTRATIONS

Please click [here](#) to read in more detail about the updated options and features that students will have access to for online testing in 2018-2019.