

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 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.