2016 Assessment Conference
Keynote

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“Leading for educational excellence and equity. Every day for every one.”
Recap Spring 2016 Administration

- New systems and options
  - PearsonAccess Next
  - Tablets and Chromebooks
  - ACCESS for ELLs online administrations

- April 27 had 147,000 concurrent testers
- Over 1,020,000 MCA tests administered March 7-May 13

- Thank you!
Close-out 2015-2016 Administration

- Redesigned Individual Student Reports (ISR)
- Updated Interpretive Guide
- New Quick Guides and Videos
- ‘Reporting and Resources’ page on PANext
- ACT reimbursements due August 24
2016 Legislative Session

• College Entrance Exam Reimbursement

• Testing Calendar/Schedule

• Opt Out Form

• Additional Data Disaggregation

• Use of MCA scores by higher education
ESSA – Foundation of Assessment Requirements (Standards)

• Challenging state academic standards (career and college ready):
  – Mathematics
  – ELA
  – Science

• State English Language Proficiency Standards

• Assessments must be aligned to those standards and assess the full depth and breadth of those standards
  – Objective is to assess student attainment of those standards
ESSA – Assessment Administration Requirements

• Maintains annual testing for all students aligned to Academic Standards:
  – 3-8 and High School Mathematics
  – 3-8 and High School Reading and/or ELA
  – Grade span Science

• Maintains annual testing for English Learners aligned to English Language Proficiency Standards:
  – K-12
ESSA – Assessment Transparency Requirements

• Testing Calendar/Schedule

• Opt Out

• Additional Data Disaggregation
2016-2017 School Year Assessment Administration Plan

- **OLPA**
  - 2016-2017 will be the last year for OLPA

- No major changes to assessment system

- **Administration updates**
  - MCA and MTAS
  - ACCESS for ELLs and Alternate ACCESS for ELLs
### 2016-2017 School Year Assessment Administration

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**ACCESS for ELLs and Alternate ACCESS for ELLs** (English Learners only)

- Required for all students and to be aligned to state academic standards. Developed and administered by the state.
- Required for English Learners and to be aligned to state English language proficiency standards.
High School Writing Test

• Not “practicable”
  – No plans to begin development or FT/OP in 2016-2017 or 2017-2018

• WriteToLearn available for length of Pearson contract
  – Grade 8
  – Grade 10
2016-2017 School Year Assessment Reporting Plan

• Exploring additional and improved support materials related to reporting

• ESSA Accountability Calculations
  – Will include MCA, MTAS, ACCESS for ELLs and Alternate ACCESS for ELLs
2016-2017 School Year
Division Projects – Testing Focus

• Fall tablet screen size study

• Teacher focus groups to develop Teacher website to better facilitate statewide testing data usage

• Enhanced Assessment Grants

• Reporting Support Materials
2016-2017 School Year
Division Projects – Laws

• State law Implementation

• ESSA Implementation
  – High School district option for national college entrance exam
  – Transparency support
Questions About?

• MN State Assessments and Administration  
  – mde.testing@state.mn.us

• Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) and Accountability  
  – mde.essa@state.mn.us

• Data Reports and/or Data Center  
  – mde.analytics@state.mn.us
2017 Conference

• Shift in scope over the years

• Broader audience and message

• Passing torch to GTS
Thank You

- Have a great conference
- Have a terrific school year