

AN UPDATE FROM ACADEMIC STANDARDS, INSTRUCTION AND ASSESSMENT — JUNE 11, 2025

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Posttest Editing Discrepancies Report

The Posttest Editing Discrepancies Report, available under File Transfer on the [Test WES](#) Dashboard, is a list of the district’s discrepancies that remained at the end of Posttest Editing. This report may be helpful if there are questions about a student’s results following the release of final assessment results. Note that remaining discrepancies can no longer be resolved.

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Assessment Update Transition to GovDelivery in July

Beginning in July, the *Assessment Update* will be sent through GovDelivery instead of coming directly from mde.testing@state.mn.us. As part of the transition, District Assessment Coordinators (DACs) will need to ensure that contact information on [MDE-ORG](#) is up to date. DACs will also have the option to manage their preferences through GovDelivery. More details on this transition will be sent in a future *Assessment Update*.

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Entering Reimbursement Requests in GRR

Districts that have received assessment results for the college entrance exam they administered (ACT or SAT) should enter requests for reimbursements in the [Graduation Requirements Records \(GRR\)](#) system for eligible students no later than Sept. 5.

If a district has not previously received reimbursement for a grade 11 or 12 student, districts will be reimbursed for students eligible for free/reduced-price meals (FRP) who are entered into GRR. If funding allows, districts

may also be reimbursed fully or on a prorated basis for students who are unable to pay for the exam. Districts must determine the criteria for being unable to pay and enter those requests in GRR.

Common Issues

If uploading a file, verify that all information is entered exactly as specified in the File Format section of the [GRR User Guide](#) and that the format of the data entered matches the required format for the cell (matching the row of sample data). Before uploading, delete the row of sample data but do not remove any columns from the file. If copying and pasting text from another document, use “Values” as the paste format to maintain formatting of the file format template.

In addition, any student identity error must first be resolved in enrollment data and/or the Student ID Validation system before the record can be added into GRR. Student data entered in GRR must match enrollment data. If you receive the “Student match based on matching rules, but ID is different” message, check the following:

- A nickname has been entered instead of the full name (for example, “Ben” instead of “Benjamin”).
- The student’s last name is incomplete or not entered correctly (for example, “Carlson” or “Carlson-Hernandez” instead of “Carlson Hernandez”).

Reimbursement Reports

After districts enter reimbursement requests in GRR, they must confirm that the students for which they expect reimbursement are included in the reimbursement reports; these reports are refreshed each morning. It is important to confirm student information is entered correctly to avoid incorrect reimbursements made to the district. Two reports are available: the Claimed Student Detail Report and the Estimated Student Amount Report. The Claimed Student Detail Report details what records will be reimbursed (or the reason records will not be reimbursed). The Estimated Student Amount Report gives an estimate of the amount to be received.

Resources

More information is in the [Graduation Requirements Records \(GRR\) User Guide](#) and in the recorded GRR training posted to the [Learning Management System \(LMS\)](#).

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Tech Update

MDE Network Security Advisory

Due to recent updates, some districts may experience an error message when trying to connect to secure MDE web applications. If you see an error message that reads “Responder from country blocked: Responder IP: 176.100.178.49,” use either of the below methods:

1. Contact your vendor for your network security appliance. The vendor should be able to update their Geo IP location data with corrected information for this IP address.
2. Update your network security appliance to specifically whitelist this IP address: 176.100.178.49

Contact David Reeg (david.reeg@state.mn.us) at MNIT Services partnering with the Minnesota Department of Education for more information about this issue.

TestNav System Requirements: Review and Prepare for the 2025–26 School Year

Pearson recommends that districts review its established [TestNav System Requirement Policy](#) to anticipate upcoming support changes for the 2025–26 school year. This policy aligns TestNav system requirements with manufacturer-supported operating systems (OS) and devices. District personnel should bookmark and familiarize themselves with the policy to assess technology needs every school year. This best practice ensures that all district personnel and students experience efficient and reliable testing sessions.

Note: Manufacturer development cycles vary, and release details are often vague until closer to release dates. As a result, Pearson’s policy requires referencing manufacturer policies. Annually, Pearson will base support for OSs and devices on manufacturer support as of July 15.

Technology personnel should evaluate manufacturer support as of July 15 to determine technology planning for the upcoming school year. For example, based on the information available at this time, and dependent on Pearson testing, districts can estimate support for the 2025–26 school year to be the following:

Operation System (OS)	Estimated Minimum Version Support (2025–26)
Tablets, Chromebooks, Chromeboxes	
Chrome OS*	<p>Stable Channel (S)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 136+ <p>Long Term Support (LTS)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 132+ <p>*For more details, see the Chrome OS Release Schedule and Long-term Support (LTS) on ChromeOS.</p>

	Note: Pearson is releasing a new TestNav app for ChromeOS in late June 2025. For more information, refer to the technical bulletin on the TestNav support page .
iPadOS*	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 17.3+, 18.x * See more information on iPadOS 17
Laptops, Desktops	
Linux	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fedora 41 x64, 42x64 Ubuntu 24.04 LTS x64
macOS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 14, 15
Windows	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Windows 10 22H2 Windows 11 23H2 Windows 11 24H2

Note: Android OS is not supported for secure online testing.

Additional details for the upcoming school year are included in the Upcoming Support Changes section at the bottom of the [TestNav System Requirements](#) page as they become available. For questions, contact the Pearson help desk at 1-888-817-8659 or submit a [help desk request online](#).

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