

Important Changes to Assessment and Accountability Programs School Year 2025-2026

REPORT CARD IMPORTANT UPDATES

IRI (IDAHO READING INDICATOR)

New IRI vendor

Beginning in Fall 2025, the Idaho Reading Indicator will be delivered by Amira Learning. Please see FAQ document for questions and answers.

Change in Fall Assessment Period

The IRI window will be changed for the 2025-2026 school year only. The IRI window will run October 1-31, 2025. LEAs will have the months of August and September to allow their students familiarity with the platform and microphones.

Early Literacy Funding

Because of the transition to the new Amira Learning assessment, Early Literacy Funding for the 2025-2026 school year will be based on student growth from Fall to Spring for all students. This adjustment is necessary, as there are no prior Spring scores from Amira Learning. We will return to using Spring to Spring growth in 2026-2027.

ISAT (IDAHO STANDARDS ACHIEVEMENT TEST)

TIDE Access

For school year 2025-2026, the TE and TA User Roles will have limited access to the TIDE platform. Teachers and Test Administrators can still access the Test Administration and Reporting platforms with no restrictions.

QR Codes for Student Logins

For the Spring 2026 ISAT test window, students can log into the Secure Browser using a QR code. District and school test coordinators will be able to print QR codes in TIDE, just as they currently print student test tickets.

Updated ISAT Test Administration Script

The ISAT Test Administration Script will be updated for the 2025-2026 school year to reflect changes to the student login process (e.g., QR code logins). Once available, the updated script can be found in the 2025-2026 ISAT Test Administration Manual (TAM) and as a stand-alone document. To ensure you are using the most recent versions of the TAM and the script, see the Summative Test Assessment Resources playlist on the Idaho Portal.

Word Prediction is Now an Embedded Accommodation

Starting in the 2025-2026 school year, word prediction will be available as an embedded accommodation on the ISAT. Educational teams may choose to have a student use the embedded option or continue to use non-embedded assistive technology if they prefer. For more information, refer to the updated <u>Usability</u>, <u>Accessibility</u>, <u>and Accommodation Guidelines</u> (UAAG) when available.

IDAA (IDAHO ALTERNATE ASSESSMENT)

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Transition to Dynamic Learning Maps Alternate Assessment

Idaho is transitioning to a new Idaho Alternate Assessment (IDAA) vendor, called Dynamic Learning Maps (DLM), over the next two years, as outlined below.

School year 2025-26

- Implement current IDAA with Cambium Assessment, Inc.
- Multiple DLM trainings delivered by DLM and Department staff

- Introduction to DLM for Educators: 9 full-day, in-person, hands-on trainings across all educational regions
 - Wednesday, 11/5/2025: Moscow & Pocatello areas
 - Thursday, 11/6/2025: Coeur d'Alene & Idaho Falls areas
 - Tuesday, 11/18/2025: Boise and Twin Falls areas
 - Wednesday, 11/19/ 2025: Boise and Twin Falls areas
 - Thursday, 11/20/2025: Boise area
- o Getting to Know DLM Question and Answer Sessions: up to 12 virtual sessions
- o Tour of DLM Resources for Educators: up to 12 virtual sessions
- Details and registration information for all trainings will be available on the <u>Idaho</u>
 Alternate Assessment webpage.

School year 2026-27

• Full implementation of DLM Alternate Assessment

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