



Indiana Department of Education

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To: Indiana State Board of Education

From: Lynn Schemel, Director of Assessment

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Subject: 2022-2023 Formative Assessment Grant: List of Assessment Programs Recommended for Approval

Indiana Code 20-32-5.1-17 requires the Indiana State Board of Education (SBOE) to approve at least two (2) benchmark, formative, interim, or similar assessments for use with Indiana's Formative Assessment Grant. These assessments must, by law:

- Show alignment, verified by a third party, to one of the following:
 - Indiana's academic standards
 - A subset of Indiana's academic standards for grades K-2 (focusing on literacy or numeracy)
 - Indiana's selected college entrance exam for grades 8-10 assessments
- Provide predictive study results for student performance on the statewide assessment.
- Enter into a data share agreement with the department.

In spring 2022, the Indiana Department of Education (IDOE) convened a committee of Indiana school leaders to review benchmark, formative, interim, and similar assessment programs for required criteria. Technical validity, reliability, accessibility, and usefulness of scoring and reporting were also considered. All assessment vendors were invited to participate in the [public request for approval process](#). All submitted assessment programs were evaluated impartially by an educator committee according to the published [Criteria and Evaluation Rubric](#). These published criteria establish a high standard for approved assessment programs to ensure that schools and students receive trustworthy and useful data that support remediation efforts and differentiated instruction for students throughout the school year.

On behalf of the Formative Assessment Grant Committee, the IDOE is pleased to recommend the following assessment programs to the SBOE for approval for use with the 2022-2023 Formative Assessment Grant.

- Amplify: mCLASS with DIBELS (grades K-1)
- Cambium Assessments, Inc.: ClearSight
- College Board: PSAT 8/9
- Curriculum Associates, LLC: i-Ready Assessments
- Edmentum: Study Island
- Edmentum: Exact Path
- NWEA: MAP Growth
- NWEA: MAP Suite for Early Learners