

INDIANA SCHOOL FOR THE BLIND AND VISUALLY IMPAIRED

Statewide Testing Requirement for ISBVI Students

Policy S-04

To assist ISBVI students in developing independence and meaningful inclusion in society and the workforce, the Indiana School for the Blind and Visually Impaired requires by this policy that all ISBVI students shall take appropriate statewide assessments:

- The Indiana Statewide Testing for Educational Progress (ILEARN) or Indiana's Alternate Measure (IAM) when the students are in grade 3 – grade 8 and 10; as determined at the student's Annual Case Review.
- Indiana Reading Assessment (I-READ 3) for 3rd grade students
- ISTEP+ in Algebra 1, Biology and Language Arts 10
- WIDA for limited English speaking students, where appropriate

In the event that the ISBVI student does not pass the Algebra 1 and Language Arts 10 ISTEP+, he or she 1) must retake and pass both the Algebra 1 and Language Arts 10 ISTEP+ to qualify for a high school diploma; 2) may take advantage of remediation instruction provided by the Indiana School for the Blind and Visually Impaired as required of all Indiana schools by the Indiana State Board of Education; or 3) Request a waiver, in writing, of the ISTEP+ requirement for a diploma per state criteria.

The ISBVI Board directs the ISBVI Superintendent to ensure ISBVI staff, contractors, and volunteers, compliance with this policy by:

- 1) Providing staff written notice and documenting their awareness and receipt of these documents by obtaining their signatures; and
- 2) Affording initial and periodic on-going training to staff on the ISBVI Board Policy on Statewide Testing Requirement for ISBVI Students and accompanying ISBVI Administrative Directives and Procedures.

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ISBVI Superintendent: _____ **Date**

ISBVI Board Chair: _____ **Date**