



Indiana Department of Education

Dr. Katie Jenner, Secretary of Education

To: Indiana State Board of Education

From: Lynn Schemel, Chief Academic Officer/Director of Student Assessment

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Subject: 2025-2026 Accessibility and Accommodations Information for Statewide Assessments

The Indiana Department of Education (IDOE) annually reviews assessment guidance. Updates to guidance occur due to test delivery platform updates, changes in special education policy, feedback from the Indiana Accessibility Advisory Group comprised of national, state, and local accessibility experts, updates to assessments, and additional support needed based on review of the previous assessment administration. Members of the Office of Student Assessment and the Office of Special Education participate in CCSSO's Assessing Special Education Students Collaborative, Smarter Balanced's Usability, Accessibility, and Accommodations group, National Center of Education Outcomes convenings, collaborate with other state education agencies, and contract with a national accessibility expert.

IDOE is requesting approval from the State Board of Education of the 2025-2026 Accessibility and Accommodations Information for Statewide Assessments. Specific changes are noted in the table below.

Topic	Section	Page(s)	Description
Presentation of embedded and non-embedded universal features, designated features, and accommodation information	1, 2 & 3	6-40	The layout of universal features, designated features, and assessment accommodations has been updated for users to easily navigate and find specific information about features and accommodations available on ILEARN, IREAD, and I AM assessments. Information presented now includes specific labels and codes that correspond with the Test Information Distribution Engine (TIDE), IDOE Special Programs, and Data Exchange.
English and Translated Glossaries	1 & 8	N/A	Information pertaining to the English and translated glossaries was removed. IDOE has simplified the language complexity for all.



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Adaptive and/or Handheld Calculator for All Items: Science and Biology	1 & 3	N/A	All students, both general and special education, may use an adaptive and/or handheld calculator for all items on ILEARN Science and Biology assessments.
Embedded Hundreds Chart and Multiplication Table	3	31-32	In addition to students having access to a non-embedded hundreds chart and/or multiplication table if indicated on a current Individualized Education Program (IEP) or Service Plan, students who require this support may now receive an embedded hundreds chart or multiplication table in the test delivery system (TDS).
Word Completion and Text-to-Speech (TTS)	3	39	Students with a TTS accommodation in addition to word completion will now have the TTS software read completion options.