To: Indiana State Board of Education

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Subject: 2025-2026 Indiana Assessments Policy Manual

The Indiana Department of Education (IDOE) annually reviews assessment guidance. Updates to guidance occur due to state and federal legislation policies, federal peer review requirements and feedback, updates to the assessments or accommodations, and additional support needed based on review of the previous assessment administration. Members of the Office of Student Assessment participate in CCSSO's Technical Issues in Large Scale Assessments Collaborative, Smarter Balanced Consortium, SAT User Group, Ready for Kindergarten Advisory Group, consult with a Technical Advisory Committee comprised of national assessment psychometricians, Indiana's Assessment Implementation Advisory Group, Indiana educator committees and focus groups, and collaborate with other state education agencies.

IDOE is requesting approval of the 2025-2026 Indiana Assessments Policy Manual from the Indiana State Board of Education (SBOE). Information remains historically consistent, with updates reflecting recent changes in legislation and assessment requirements. Specific changes from prior guidance are noted below.

2025-2026 Indiana Assessments Policy Manual	
Section	Description
ALL	Minimal edits and reordering of content throughout to improve flow of information and ease of use for the field. No additions were made.