

MEMORANDUM

TO: Indiana State Board of Education
FROM: Office of Assessment, Indiana Department of Education
 Office of Accountability, Indiana Department of Education
RE: High School Assessment Administration
DATE: March 28, 2018

Section 37 of Public Law 192-2018 amended Ind. Code § 20-32-5.1-7(d) concerning the statewide assessment for high school. Beginning with the 2020-2021 school year, a high school shall administer a nationally recognized college entrance exam as part of the mandatory annual statewide assessment. Further, the amendment removed the requirement to administer an end of course assessment (ECA) beginning with the 2018-2019 school year for English/Language Art and Mathematics.

The following table outlines the administration schedule of the statewide assessment for high schools pursuant to Public Law 192-2018, and considers the repeal of the ECA as well as the introduction of and transition to the nationally recognized college entrance exam.

Please note that, as a result of these amendments, the ISTEP+ Grade 10 assessment will be administered during the 2018-2019 and 2019-2020 school years. The transition from the ISTEP+ 10 assessment, which is administered during the 10th grade year, and the college entrance exam, which is administered during the 11th grade year, brings about a “gap year” when no high school assessment will be administered. This gap year prevents the double testing of the same cohort of students for accountability purposes, and allows for a clean transition between assessments.

This administration approach provides for a single transition from the ISTEP+ Grade 10 assessment to the College Entrance Exam for both accountability and graduation requirements. Additionally, Indiana’s Alternate Measure (I AM) will transition during the 2019-2020 school year to assess content at Grade 11 to coincide with this change.

	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23
8TH GRADE	ISTEP+ 8	ILEARN 8	ILEARN 8	ILEARN 8	ILEARN 8	ILEARN 8
9TH GRADE	Not Assessed	Not Assessed	Not Assessed	Not Assessed	Not Assessed	Not Assessed
10TH GRADE	ISTEP+ 10	ISTEP+ 10	ISTEP+ 10	Not Assessed	Not Assessed	Not Assessed
11TH GRADE	ISTEP+ 10 (retest)	ISTEP+ 10 (retest)	ISTEP+ 10 (retest)	ISTEP+ 10 (retest)	College Entrance Exam	College Entrance Exam
12TH GRADE	ECA (retest)	ISTEP+ 10 (retest)	ISTEP+ 10 (retest)	ISTEP+ 10 (retest)	ISTEP+ 10 (retest)	College Entrance Exam (retest if pathway)