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TO: School District Superintendents
FROM: Brent Young, Chief Policy Officer
DATE: May 9, 2016
SUBJECT: MAP Assessment Update

MAP ASSESSMENT UPDATES FOR 2016-17 SCHOOL YEAR

Per 2016 Session Laws, Chapter 113, there will be some changes in requirements for administering the MAP assessment. Most changes become effective on July 1, 2017 for the 2017-2018 school year. The following summary outlines the requirements in place for the 2016-2017 school year.

District Assessment System

District administration of common benchmark adaptive assessments statewide in reading and mathematics for grades one through eight in accordance with W.S. 21-3-110 (a) (xxiv) as a component of the district assessment system is still required. In grades two through eight the assessment must be administered at least two times per year, and once in grade one.

For questions about MAP as it relates to the District Assessment System, please contact Shelly Andrews at shelly.andrews@wyo.gov or 307-777-3781.

Bridges Program

The MAP assessment requirement for Bridges has not changed in statute. W.S. 21-13-335 requires a “structured common assessment evaluation of program effectiveness.” Chapter 33 rules further state that this requirement is met by administering the MAP Survey with Goals to all students in the spring and fall in grades two through eight and in the fall of grade nine (Chapter 33-6(e)). For the 2016-2017 school year this requirement remains in place.

For questions about MAP as it relates to the Bridges Summer School Program, please contact Dianne Frazer at dianne.frazer@wyo.gov or 307-777-8676.

Reading Assessment and Intervention

In Spring 2015, the WDE626 collection was eliminated and Spring MAP data in grades kindergarten through three is now utilized to determine which schools are meeting 85% proficiency at third grade. Each school not meeting 85% proficiency based on the MAP cut scores is required to outline in their comprehensive school plans the district's general strategy for increasing reading proficiency, student-teacher ratios, use of certified tutors and use of instructional facilitators in grades kindergarten through three.

For questions about MAP as it relates to the Reading Assessment and Intervention, please contact Lachelle Brant at lachelle.brant1@wyo.gov or 307-777-6476.