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To: District Superintendents, Assistant/Associate District Superintendents, and School Principals

Route To: Illinois Assessment of Readiness District/School Test Coordinators and District/School Technology

Coordinators

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Introducing the Parent Portal and Video Reporting for Illinois Assessment of Readiness

The Illinois State Board of Education is pleased to announce a new and innovative method for presenting parents/guardians with Illinois Assessment of Readiness (IAR) individual student test results.

Illinois IAR Parent Portal

This fall, ISBE is introducing the <u>Illinois Assessment of Readiness (IAR) Parent Portal</u>, where parents/guardians can learn about their children's performance on the IAR for English Language Arts/Literacy and Mathematics. The IAR Parent Portal User Guide has information on how to create an account, log in to the account, and add claim codes to access student score reports and video of Individual Student Reports (ISRs). The portal will also allow parents/guardians to track their student's scores from year to year, beginning with the spring 2021 results. The IAR Parent Portal will be available to parents/guardians beginning October 26, 2021.

Parental involvement and support play a significant role in student success. Likewise, their access to their child's results can enhance the ability of parents/guardians to communicate with their child's educators. The IAR Parent Portal offers parents/guardians direct access to assessment information.

Video Reporting of Individual Score Reports

In addition to traditional paper ISRs delivered by the schools, video versions of ISRs will be made available via the IAR Parent Portal. The video score report communicates information from the ISR through animations and a voiceover in Illinois' seven most common languages: English, Spanish, Polish, Arabic, French, Urdu, and Gujarati.

The printed ISRs that will be delivered to districts/schools by October 18, 2021, include the claim codes that parents/guardians can use to access their child's performance results in the IAR Parent Portal. Video ISRs will be available in the IAR Parent Portal on October 26, 2021. Parents/guardians must create an account in the IAR Parent Portal and use the claim code provided on the student's ISR to add the results to their profile. Once parents/guardians create their accounts, they can add codes for additional students and/or administrations by adding new codes to their accounts.

Districts are strongly encouraged to inform parents/guardians about this new feature within the parent portal. A sample letter is available at https://il.mypearsonsupport.com/reporting/#parent to assist with this task. ISBE is excited that this new approach to individual score reporting will increase the level of communication between parents/guardians and schools.

Parent/Guardian Referrals to Districts/Schools

- Lost ISRs for Students The IAR Parent Portal provides results from IAR English Language Arts/Literacy and Mathematics administrations starting with spring 2021. If a parent/guardian loses their child's ISR for a supported administration, they will be referred to the district to obtain a copy. ISRs are available within PearsonAccess^{next} (PAN) under Reports>Published Reports to users who have been assigned as a District Test Coordinator (DTC), or a School Test Coordinator (STC), or who have a Report Access Role. ISRs are only published to the home district/school.
- Name/Demographic Changes When parents/guardians claim student results in the IAR Parent Portal,
 the first name, last name, date of birth and claim code should be entered exactly as they appear on the
 paper ISRs. Districts should follow their standard protocols for managing demographic updates to student
 records.

Please feel free to contact the Assessment Division at ISBE at (866) 317-6034 or <u>assessment@isbe.net</u> for questions or concerns.