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## **Accelerated Learning: Formative Assessment Guidance**

IDOE confirmed formative assessment providers offer opportunities to support accelerated learning efforts. Information included in the table below and provider-supplied flyers allow corporations insight with summer planning. Although formative assessment programs are typically used to inform progress towards summative assessments, emphasis in this guidance is intended to focus on using the formative assessment tools to support instruction and continued learning goals.

Formative assessments should be used with a systematic plan for implementation and interpretation. Assessments should not be administered to students without the intent of further analysis and support.

As corporations consider summer learning opportunities for students, here are some questions to guide thinking:

- Do we have reliable spring data to utilize as a pre-test for summer?
  - Does the formative assessment spring data provide us with information about essential skills to guide our preparation of summer learning opportunities for students who have the most need?
- Does our current formative assessment provider offer resources, personalized instruction, progress monitoring, and/or assessments for summer instruction? Does our current licensing cover summer costs?
  - How might our current formative assessment provider support our work this summer? (e.g., pilot, extended subscriptions, professional development)
  - Do we have remaining formative assessment funds? Do we need to purchase additional resources or assessments or can we utilize program resources from what we have already purchased? Schools and districts have until August 31 to expend remaining funds.
- Should we consider utilizing a post-test following accelerated learning to evaluate students' progress or utilize the fall assessment as a post-test? Can we maintain the spring and fall providers in order to reflect and analyze areas of growth?

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Provider/ Assessment	Assessment			Lessons/Teacher Resources		Progress Monitoring (instruction, assessments)	Reports		Cost	PD
	Fall	Spring	Summer	Math	ELA Reading Writing		Educator	Student / Parent		
<a href="#">Cambium/ ClearSight</a>	X	X	X	K-HS	K-HS	Interim, pre/post or checkpoint, educator authored (item bank) assessments	X	X	None- current subscriber	X
<a href="#">Curriculum Associates/ i-Ready Assessment</a>	X	X	X	K-8 Teacher Toolbox  <a href="#">Curriculum/ Resources</a>	K-8 Teacher Toolbox  <a href="#">Curriculum/ Resources</a>	Personalized lessons, diagnostic assessments, games, quizzes, student dashboard	X	X	None- current subscriber  Pilots available	X
<a href="#">Edmentum/ Study Island</a>	X	X	X	K-HS Teacher Toolkit  Standards practice	K-HS Teacher Toolkit  Standards practice	Personalized lessons-group or independent, games, quizzes, create targeted assessments	X	X	None- current subscriber	X
<a href="#">Illuminate Education/ DnA, School City</a>	X	X	X	K-HS	K-HS	Interim assessments, personalized review assignments	X	X	None- current subscriber (standard pkg)  Yes, for added programs	X
<a href="#">NWEA/ MAP Growth</a>	X	X	X	K-8 Learning Continuum  <a href="#">Instructional Connections</a>  <a href="#">Teacher Resources</a>	K-8 Learning Continuum  <a href="#">Instructional Connections</a>  <a href="#">Teacher Resources</a>	Placement, interim assessment, growth scores, or connect to personalized instruction programs	X	X	None- current subscriber  Yes, for MAP Reading Fluency and Accelerator	X