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TO LEA Superintendents

**Charter School Directors** 

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## SUMMER PROGRAM AND SCHOOL YEAR RE-ADMINISTRATION

The Office of Accountability and Testing is committed to ensuring all students have the opportunity to show what they know and can do on state assessments.

In response to requests for offering flexibility to re-administer tests during the school year in addition to the already established summer program (see the memo dated July 17, 2024) for the 2024–25 school year, public school units (PSUs) may re-administer end-ofgrade (EOG) and end-of-course (EOC) tests during the last five (semester) or ten (yearlong) days of the school year. PSUs are permitted to utilize both the readministration testing window and summer program. As with summer program, a readministration is only allowed for a student who scored Not Proficient on the EOG or EOC, and parental permission must be obtained prior to the re-administration. Students only have one opportunity to retest either in the re-administration window or the summer program. Utilization of the testing outside the window process is not permitted for readministration purposes.

As in previous years, re-administration and summer program scores will not be included in growth analyses for school accountability or for educator effectiveness. However, the higher score will be included in proficiency calculations for school accountability. The 2024-25 accountability year ends on July 7, 2025. Summer program and readministration EOG and EOC scores uploaded to the Annual Testing Program by July 7, 2025, will be included in the 2024–25 school year accountability calculations. Summer school EOC sessions with test scores uploaded to the Annual Testing Program after July 7, 2025, will be included in the 2025–26 school year accountability analyses.

Regardless of whether a PSU is participating in summer program or re-administering tests during the school year, the following NCDPI requirements must be adhered:

• A written plan of the PSUs' participation in summer program and/or school year readministration for the 2024–25 school year must be approved and signed by the local board of education.

- A copy of the 2024–25 board approved plan must be sent to the regional accountability office by May 2, 2025.
  - The process for obtaining local board of education approval is a local decision.
- Plans should include, but are not limited to:
  - the purpose of the program,
  - the dates testing will occur,
  - the length (hours and minutes) provided for remediation and re-administrations,
  - security of test materials, and
  - a testing plan.
- Online administrations are required for all re-administrations and summer program administrations of the EOGs and EOCs (Students who require a paper test format due to accessibility purposes will be provided paper versions of the test during readministrations and/or summer program.)
- The following tests are available for summer program or re-administrations:
  - EOG grades 4–8 reading
    - grade 3 reading is not part of summer program or re-administration due to Read to Achieve requirements,
  - EOG grades 3–8 mathematics,
  - o EOC English II, NC Math 1, and NC Math 3,
  - NCEXTEND1 grades 3–8 reading and mathematics, and
  - NCEXTEND1 grade 10 English II, and NC Math 1.
- Science EOGs and EOCs are not available for administration during summer program or the re-administration window due to delayed scoring of the new 2024–25 test editions.
- When scheduling English II EOC test administrations for within year re-administration or summer program, please note the time requirements for scoring. Reference the 2024–25 Annual Testing Program and Accountability Requirements memo shared with superintendents and directors on July 17, 2024.
- Schools must notify parents or legal guardians about re-administrations or participation in summer program including the dates it will take place and the purposes.
- Again, student participation is voluntary. Parents or legal guardians must make the final decision regarding re-administration or summer program attendance. There should be no consequences for students who choose not to participate in either program.
- Only students who complete the PSU local board approved remediation program are permitted to participate in the summer program or re-administration opportunity.

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If you have any questions regarding this information, please contact your regional accountability office.

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