

Intradistrict Communication

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TO: Elementary School Administrators

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SUBJECT: Fall 2025 Assessment Updates

There are several assessment updates of which elementary school administrators should be aware:

RISE ELA and Writing Scores, School Report Card, and TSI/ATSI/CSI Designation Delays

The RISE ELA assessment was updated to match the new ELA core recently approved by the USBE. Whenever an assessment is changed, it must go through a standard setting process. USBE is currently conducting that standard setting process, which will delay the release of RISE ELA and writing scores until sometime in September or October. The delayed score release will also delay the release of school report cards and new TSI/ATSI/CSI designations and exits until January 2026.

Currently designated TSI/ATSI/CSI schools should continue implementing their school improvement plans for the duration of the 2025-26 school year.

RISE ELA and Writing Benchmarks

The RISE ELA and writing benchmarks based on the new ELA core for grades 3-8 will be available beginning November 4, 2025.

RISE math and science benchmarks are currently available.

New DLI Assessment

The state's contract with LTI and its AAPPL assessment for DLI classes ended with the 2024-25 school year. [Avant's STAMP](#) assessment won the new contract and will be implemented beginning with the 2025-26 school year. Assessment, Research & Accountability will release additional updates as we receive them from USBE.

Please note that AAPPL for world language testing in the spring will continue as in years past.

For questions or concerns about any of these changes, please contact Ben Jameson in Assessment, Research & Accountability.