Online State Testing Preparation

Structures of State Testing

- PARCC – English Language Arts & Math
  - Performance Based Assessments (PBA) in March
    - All 3rd – 11th graders take 3 units/sessions of ELA
    - All 3rd – 11th graders take 2 units/sessions of Math
      - All 9th & 10th graders have to take either Alg 1, Geo, Alg 2 test – they take the test that matches their course they are in.
      - Students in 9th or 10th grade beyond an Alg 2 course still have to take the Alg 2 test
      - 11th graders in Alg 1, Geo, Alg 2 (or replacement course for Alg 2 like Financial Alg) take a test.
      - 11th graders beyond an Alg 2 test do NOT take PARCC
      - 12th graders in Alg 2 take PARCC
  - End of Year (EOY) Assessments in Late April/May
    - All 3rd – 5th graders take 1 unit/session of ELA
    - All 6th – 11th graders take 2 units/sessions of ELA
    - All 3rd – 11th graders take 2 units/sessions of Math
      - Follows the same format as PBA

- CMAS – Science and Social Studies Mid April
  - 4th and 7th graders take 3 units/sessions of Social Studies
  - 5th and 8th graders take 3 units/sessions of Science

- Dynamic Learning Maps – New online Alternate assessments for ELA & Math
  - Take in March-April

Preparation – District & Technology

- Monthly meetings between Assessment Department and ISTS 1st semester
- Biweekly meetings between Assessment Department and ISTS 2nd semester
- 2013-2014 school year 12 carts of 30 laptops and 30 mice and 1 cart of 15 laptops and 15 mice was purchased
- 2014-2015 school year 6 carts of 30 laptops and 30 carts of 30 Chromebooks was purchased
- 2014-2015 1050 keyboards were purchased to be used with iPads
- 2014-2015 7,120 headphones were purchased because all students need to wear headphones for the ELA PBA Assessment
- ISTS is working on entire Wireless Infrastructure
Preparation – Schools

- All Site Testing Coordinators (STCs) have attended the following trainings or support sessions. STCs are the Elementary Principals and Secondary Aps
  - Accommodations training in October
  - Security and Systems training in January
  - Pearson Test Session Set-up in February

- STC Timeline all year which includes turning in lists of students with accommodations, unique accommodation paperwork and submittal, etc.

- STCs train all of their Teachers to be Test Administrators/Proctors

- STCs are given testing days for their building from the district. They then create a testing schedule. Times, locations, test administrators, etc

- STCs work with their technologists to make sure that all internal devices are prepped for testing.

- Schools and teachers have been providing students opportunities to engage and practice with the online testing environment throughout the year and more intentionally 2nd semester.

Implementation

- On Saturday, March 7th, 49 computer and Chromebook carts will be moved into schools that begin testing on March 9th.

- Assessment team members and technologists will be deployed to testing sites the morning of March 9th to support.

- Testing will take place on assigned days. Make-ups will be the responsibility of the schools.

- Computer & Chromebook carts, mice, and laptops will be moved to different schools for testing throughout the windows.