



Next Generation Assessments Stakeholder Meeting

September 4, 2014

Agenda

- Welcome
- PARCC High School Policy
- PARCC Accommodations and NCSC Resources
- Tech Visits and Technology Funds
- TI Working Group Update
- PARCC PD and ELC Opportunities
- Next Generation Assessments and ESEA Accountability
- Items of note / FYI

Technology Readiness Audit



- Recently embarked on an ambitious project to determine the gap between the PARCC technology requirements and current technology.
- Targeted completion of Oct 2014 – 60% complete

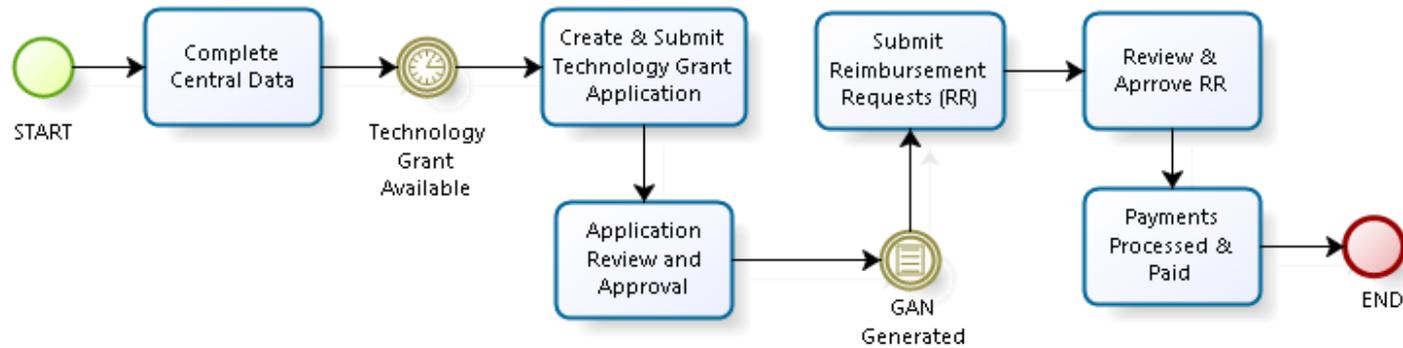
Key Areas

1. Testing Profile
2. Technology
3. OS and Hardware

School Level Readiness Profile which we hope will be used to make smart purchasing decisions in support of the Next Generation Assessments

Schools Technology Fund

- \$4M for SY14-15
- Approximately \$49.17 per pupil based on the SY13-14 Audited Enrollment Numbers
- Enterprise Grants Management System
- Recommended that purchases be made in support of the Next Generation Assessments.



NGA and Accountability

- Updates on ESEA Waiver and PARCC for 14-15.
 - ESEA Waiver for this year approved last night by the DC State Board of Education
 - Next Year: Aim is to have no negative consequences for schools based on PARCC and other new assessment results.
 - There will be a mechanism for schools in focus/priority to demonstrate progress towards exit
 - Next step is broader public conversation on all the details

PARCC Accommodations and Accessibility Features

Many of the current DC CAS accommodations are built into the computer-based PARCC test and will be available to all students as “**accessibility features**”. Selected accommodations for students with disabilities, 504 Plans, and English language learners must be documented in the student’s IEP, 504, or English language learner plan.

PARCC Accessibility Features versus DC CAS Accommodations- Crosswalk of DC CAS accommodations and PARCC accessibility features.

PARCC Accommodations for Students with Disabilities- Crosswalk of DC CAS accommodations and PARCC accommodations.

PARCC English Language Learner Accommodations- Crosswalk of DC CAS accommodations and PARCC accommodations.

The **PARCC Accommodations Manual and Appendixes A-J** are located at <http://osse.dc.gov/service/testing-accommodations> .

OSSE will provide additional guidance on how to document the computer-based accommodations in SEDS and the assignment of the Read Aloud accommodation.

National Center State Collaborative (NCSC), DC CAS Alt Science Alternate Assessment Registration Window

Task	Deadline
Complete Participation Criteria, Participation Determination Forms, and LCI	October 17, 2014
Parent Acknowledgement of Participation in Alternative Assessment	October 17, 2014
Select DC CAS Alt as testing option in SEDS	October 17, 2014
LEA submits student registration verification form and roster to OSSE	October 24, 2014
OSSE internal review of LEA rosters	October 27th-November 14th
OSSE provides LEA with preliminary eligibility determination	November 14th
LEAs submit additional evidence to OSSE or assign DC CAS in SEDS	November 14th-December 3rd
OSSE internal review of additional evidence	December 4th-December 11th
LEAs receive final eligibility determination	December 12th

- All resources, registration window, participation criteria , and forms can be downloaded from the OSSE site.

<http://osse.dc.gov/service/national-center-state-collaborative-ncsc-and-dc-cas-alt-science>

- NCSC Fall Pilot Test 2 will be administered October 20- November 14, 2014 (Grades 4-9 and 12).

Test Integrity Working Group

- Contact Tonya Mead, tonya.mead@dc.gov with questions.

PARCC Educator Leader Cadre

- PARCC Educator Leader Cadres (ELC) are groups of educators working together to build understanding of the Common Core State Standards (CCSS) and PARCC assessments
- Teams of K-16 educators, across all PARCC states, develop expertise on the CCSS and PARCC and become leaders in their state and among their peers
- OSSE hosts monthly meetings to engage ELC members in the deep analysis of the CCSS and PARCC aligned materials
- The DC ELC is dedicated to providing job embedded support to educators across the District for the upcoming PARCC assessment

ELC LEA Representation

- OSSE is currently in the process of expanding the PARCC ELC to include representation from all of DC's LEAs
- If your LEA is not currently participating, please share the information on the recruitment flier with interested educators, including:
Administrators (Principals/Assistant Principals),
Instructional Leaders/Coaches, Test Coordinators
or Lead Teachers

PARCC ELC Meeting Dates

- Tuesday, September 23rd – OSSE 4:30 – 6:00 pm
- Please contact Heidi Beeman at heidi.beeman@dc.gov with any questions

Revised Blueprint

- Revised test blueprint with fewer ELA items, especially in Grades 3-5:
 - <http://parconline.org/parcc-states-reduce-no-items-elaliteracy-portion-test>
 - One fewer ELA unit in EOY grades 3-5
- Revised unit times based on field test data and blue print adjustments will be available very soon.

CTB GTI

- September 25th, 1-3pm, September 26th, 9-11am or 1-3pm. Interested participants should sign up for **only** one session.
- Location: One Washington Circle Hotel.
- Register: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/QNQMTH>
- The Guide to Test Interpretation document and training are designed to provide general information about the DC CAS, how the results are reported, and what these results mean, and is facilitated by our test vendor, CTB McGraw-Hill. The Guide explains how to interpret students' scores and score reports on the CAS. Attendees will see sample reports and get an overview of scoring and standard setting processes.

Save the Date

- Save the Date for the October NGA meeting:
 - **October 1, 1:30pm-3:30pm**

Midyear PARCC Exam 14-15

- Optional paper based midyear exam for PARCC will be available before the PBA begins in early 2015, will be made up of performance based items, will be teacher graded based on a rubric with examples and exemplars.

PARCC High School Policies

Required PARCC tests 2014-2015:

ELA/Literacy 2 and Geometry *or* Integrated Math 2

Other assessments will be available optionally.

- Taken when curricularly appropriate.
- Email alerting heads of schools today.
- Thank you to all those who gave feedback on high school policies via poll, phone, email, in-person

PARCC High School Policies

- Benefits:
 - Highly ranked in LEA feedback
 - Most similar to current DC CAS policy, most students will take in tenth grade
 - Does not create equity conflict with NCSC
 - Flexibility to administer according to school curriculum
 - Does not put undue testing burden on students taking AP/IB/SAT in 11th grade

PARCC High School Policies – Next Steps

- Business rules: To be drafted/proposed in the next few weeks and given to high school working group for comments/feedback.
- Task force beginning this December to re-examine policies for 2015-2016.
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Algebra I and 8th Grade

- In line with aim that tests given are aligned to students' curriculum as closely as possible, it was our aim to allow 8th grade students taking Algebra to take the Algebra I math exam in lieu of the 8th grade math.
- However, avoiding double testing will require specific waiver from federal Dept. of Ed.
- PARCC states pursuing together to avoid double testing – will alert schools ASAP as to updates.