

**Wisconsin Student Assessment System
Fall 2007 Information and Schedule
Evansville Community School District**

The Wisconsin Student Assessment System (WSAS) is a comprehensive statewide accountability program designed to provide information about what students know in core academic areas (reading, language arts, writing, math, science, and social studies). The Wisconsin Knowledge and Concepts Examination – Criterion Referenced Test (WKCE-CRT) is one component of the WSAS. The WSAS also includes alternate assessments for students with disabilities. The WKCE-CRT is administered to students in grades 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, and 10.

The WKCE-CRT is designed to provide: information about students' attainment of academic proficiency for students, parents, and teachers; information to support curriculum and instructional planning; and a measure of accountability for schools and districts. The assessment conveys information about what students can and cannot do in relation to the Wisconsin Model Academic Standards, which have been adopted by the Evansville Community School District Board of Education. Students receive proficiency scores based on their performance on these examinations. The proficiency levels are identified as Advanced, Proficient, Basic, and Minimal Performance.

The WKCE-CRT test results give only certain kinds of information about student achievement. To obtain a more complete picture of student achievement, parents are encouraged to talk to their children's teachers about daily class work, other assessment results, homework, and performance in daily learning activities.

The Evansville Community School District 2007 WKCE-CRT testing schedule is as follows:

Theodore Robinson Intermediate School

Assessment Coordinators: Deb Arnold & Vicki Lecy-Luebke

Grade 3: November 5 - 8

Grades 4: November 5 – 8 & November 12 - 14

Grade 5: November 5 - 8

J.C.McKenna Middle School

Assessment Coordinators: Linda Rehfeldt & Robert Flaherty

Grades 6, 7 and 8: November 5, 6, 8 & 9

Evansville High School

Assessment Coordinators: Randy Keister & Jamie Gillespie

Grade 10: November 6, 8 & November 12 - 15

It is important that students are in attendance and well-prepared during the schedule testing times. Parents are discouraged from scheduling medical, dental, and/or other appointments during the testing window dates. Students will be well-prepared if they have adequate rest and nutrition prior to participating in the assessment sessions.

For further information, contact Krista Jones, Director of Student Services (882-3313) or Marilyn Brink, WSAS District Coordinator (882-3150), or the appropriate building level assessment coordinator. Additional information is available on the Department of Public Instruction (DPI) website at http://dpi.wi.gov/oea/kce_publin.html.