

Iowa Alternate Assessment Webinar-#6 Audit Transcript

Slide 1: Welcome to IAA Process for this current school year. This webinar, the 6th in a series of 8 entitled, "Iowa Alternate Assessment Audit Process" provides IAA guidance and policy. The intended audience for this webinar includes teachers, administrators and AEA personnel.

Slide 2: Audits are components of the Iowa Alternate Assessment Process that examine if students participated in a fair assessment

Students should be instructed on many items and their performance should reflect what they can do. There are two Fall Audits. One is an Audit Visit and the other is an Evidence Audit

Slide 3: The Fall Audit visit is based on performance on the assessment in 2010-2011

Slide 4: What Triggers the Fall Audit Visits?

Based on the performance data on the previous school year's Iowa Alternate Assessment results

High numbers of students scoring advanced in a given content area on a single teacher's roster

Students whose description on the student profile does not reasonably match the performance reported

Students who show unusual growth on many items in a given school year

Students who show unusual growth or decline from one school year to the next

Slide 5: The Audit visits provide the opportunity the Department to have conversations with teachers who have established effective instructional procedures so that their methods may be shared with others around the state.

Audit visits additionally provide the opportunity to have conversations with IEP teams who may have identified students in the wrong assessment.

Slide 6: During the Audit Visit, the DE will observe classroom routines and instruction that you have already established.

Teachers are not requested to prepare anything special or out of the ordinary of daily instruction. The visit will last ½ day and will be based around your schedule and convenience. The visit will also include conversations with the building administrator

Slide 7: Notification and visits will occur August through October and are based on Iowa Alternate Assessment 2009-2010 data.

The AEA Special Education Director along with the LEA Central Office will be notified of the visit.

The AEA will decide how staff will support the audit

Slide 8: The second Fall Audit is an evidence audit. This audit replaces the assurance process in the 2011-2012 school year and was added as a result of data review from the last four years.

Slide 9: The Fall Evidence Audit is an evidence audit of 90 students selected randomly in November. If your student is selected, you will be required to submit evidence that generated the performance score, to the Department. You will be notified by December 1st.

The results of this audit determine if a State-wide Spring Audit is needed.

Slide 10: If needed, a Statewide Spring Audit will occur in May. The Department will inform teachers in January if a Statewide Spring Audit is needed.

Slide 11: If a Statewide Spring Audit is required, all evidence for all students in the State will be sent to a scoring center. Students whose evidence does not support their ratings will be excluded.

The Fall Evidence Audit and the Statewide Spring Audit replace the Assurance Process.

Slide 12: Thank you for viewing the Iowa Alternate Assessment Audit Webinar.

Slide 13: Please contact the identified persons listed on this slide with questions regarding the Audit Components of the Iowa Alternate Assessment.

The Iowa Department of Education appreciates the work you do with your students. Thank you!

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