

PREPARE AND PASS THE ISTEP+, IREAD3 AND ECA EXAMS

Purpose of the Testing

The purpose of the *Indiana Statewide Testing for Educational Progress Plus (ISTEP+)* program is to measure student achievement in the subject areas of English/Language Arts, Mathematics, Science (Grades 4 and 6), and Social Studies (Grades 5 and 7). In particular, *ISTEP+* reports student achievement levels according to the Indiana Academic Standards that were adopted by the Indiana State Board of Education. An Applied Skills Assessment and a Multiple-Choice Assessment, which are required components of the *ISTEP+* program, are used to measure these standards. The purpose of the *Indiana Reading Evaluation and Determination (IREAD-3)* assessment is to measure foundational reading standards through grade three. The *ISTEP+ End of Course Assessments (ECAs)* are criterion-referenced assessments developed specifically for students completing their instruction in Algebra I, Biology I, or English 10.



FREE Resources Available to Parents and Students

VISIT THE SCOH'S WEBSITE. WWW.HOBART.K12.IN.US
CLICK ON THE COOL TOOL CALLED, "TEST PREP"!
THE TEST PREP PAGE INCLUDES PAST TEST ITEMS, TESTING BLUEPRINTS,
SCORED TESTS AND SCORING NOTES. CHECK OUT THE IDEAS ON HOW TO
GET EXTRA ASSISTANCE TO MAKE A PLAN TO PASS THE STATE ASSESSMENTS.



WORD STUDY... UNDERSTAND AND BE ABLE
TO USE CONTENT SPECIFIC VOCABULARY

COMPLETE COURSE WORK AND HOMEWORK

ACADEMIC READING AND WRITING
PROBLEM SOLVING AND MATH FACTS



ACTIVE LEARNING AND
LISTENING IN SCHOOL

KNOW YOUR PAST PERFORMANCE ON STATE TESTS AND
SET A GOAL TO PASS IN THE SPRING 2014!

Spring 2014—Testing Schedule

Exam	Dates	Grades
ISTEP+ Applied Skills	March 3rd—March 12th	Grades 3-8
ISTEP+ Multiple Choice	April 28th—May 9th	Grades 3-8
IREAD-3	May 11th– 13th	Grade 3 only
End of Course Assessments	April 28th—May 21st	Those students enrolled in course and those that have not passed.



MAKE A PLAN TO PASS THE STATE ASSESSMENTS!

STUDENT WORKSHEET

Step 1: Circle your score from 2013 - If you don't know ask a teacher or your counselor!

ISTEP+- English DNP Pass Pass+	ISTEP+- Math DNP Pass Pass+	ISTEP+- Social Studies DNP Pass Pass+	ISTEP+- Science DNP Pass Pass+
IMAST- English DNP Pass Pass+	IMAST- Math DNP Pass Pass+	IMAST- Social Studies DNP Pass Pass+	IMAST- Science DNP Pass Pass+
ECA—Algebra I DNP Pass Pass+	ECA—English 10 DNP Pass Pass+	ECA—Biology DNP Pass Pass+	A PLANNED OUT GOAL IS ONE THAT CAN BE REACHED.

Step 2: Use the FREE Resources to Prepare for Testing



Visit the SCOH's website. <https://www.hobart.k12.in.us> - click on the Cool Tool called, "Test Prep for Goal Setting" !
 The 'Test Prep for Goal Setting' Cool Tool includes past test items, testing blueprints, scored tests and Scoring notes.
 Check out the ideas to get extra assistance to complete the plan below and pass the state assessments.

Step 3: Develop A Smart Goal Plan

SMART Goal ISTEP +English Example:
S: Achieve a score of Pass on the ISTEP+ English in 8th grade.
M: Achieve a score of Pass & complete work.
A: Yes, it is attainable.
R: I will do this by completing my class-work, studying the past ISTEP scoring guides on writing, practice using 2 pt and 6pt writing rubrics.
T: I will complete this by mid February, so I'm ready for the ISTEP test on March 3rd.



SMART Goal ISTEP+ Math Example:
S: Achieve a score of Pass + on the ISTEP+ Math in 8th grade and an A in class.
M: Achieve a score of Pass+ and 95%-A grade
A: Yes, it is attainable.
R: I will do this by completing my class-work, using the Khan academy to review skills from 8th grade math, and attend study tables.
T: I will complete this by mid February, so I'm ready for the ISTEP test on March 3rd.

What is Your Plan?

S: _____

M: _____

A: _____

R: _____

T: _____