New Alabama Student Assessment Program

- New Alabama Student Assessment Program timeline was proposed and discussed with State Board of Education in the July 2009 and August 2009 meetings.
- New assessment program was voted on and passed by the State Board of Education in September 2009.
- A variety of variables could affect implementation dates (budgets, bids, etc.).

DIBELS
- Moved to ARI in 2009-2010 (no longer the responsibility of the System Test Coordinator)
- DIBELS is still a state assessment and must be administered statewide.
- However, DIBELS is no longer a part of the Alabama Student Assessment Program.

Alabama Reading and Mathematics Test (ARMT)
- Will continue to be administered in grades 3-8
- ARMT formats have been developed for the Spring 2010 and Spring 2011 administrations
- SDE will go out to bid to develop the new form of the ARMT
- Beginning in 2011-2012, the new ARMT test (ARMT +) will be administered statewide
- The ARMT + assessment will combine the ASA, ADAW and additional ARMT questions into one assessment. The ARMT + will be made up of one test booklet, one answer document, and one Test Administrator Manual.

Alabama Science Assessment ASA
- Will continue to be administered in grades 5 and 7 in Spring 2010 and Spring 2011
- In 2011-2012, ASA will be combined into the ARMT +

Alabama Direct Assessment of Writing (ADAW)
- Will continue to be administered in grades 5, 7 and 10 in the Spring 2010 and Spring 2011
- In 2011-2012, ADAW will be combined into the ARMT + for grades 5 and 7. No details have been worked out for the ADAW administration in grade 10.

Stanford 10 (SAT 10)
- Will continue to be administered in grades 3-8 in Spring 2010 and Spring 2011
- BCPS will administer only the SAT 10 Reading and SAT 10 Mathematics subtests as well as the OLSAT in Spring 2010 and Spring 2011
- Stanford 10 will be eliminated from the Alabama Student Assessment Program in 2011-2012
- ARMT + will be a stand-alone assessment and will not contain any questions from the Stanford norm-referenced test.
**National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP)**

- Will continue to be administered in grades 4, 8 and 12. Baldwin County has administered the NAEP in grades 4 and 8 only.
- Schools are randomly selected to participate in this assessment.
- NAEP participation is voluntary UNLESS the school receives federal funds. If the school receives federal funds, then the NAEP is mandatory for selected schools.

**Alabama Alternate Assessment (AAA)**

- As in the past, the AAA will continue to be administered in grades 3-8 and 11 to special education students with significant cognitive disabilities.

**Alabama High School Graduation Exam (AHSGE) and End-of-Course Tests (EOC)**

- AHSGE will continue to be administered and required for graduation for the 9th graders of 2009 and 2010-2011.
- Beginning with the 2011-2012 first time 9th graders and forward, the End-of-Course Tests will be administered and required for graduation.
- Therefore, from 2011-2012 and forward for several years, the current AHSGE will continue to be administered to select students while the new EOCs will be administered to the freshmen entering in 2011-2012 and after.
- SDE does not know which subject areas will be selected for the development and administration of the EOCs (NO details are known at this time about the EOCs).

**New Assessments Added to the Alabama Student Assessment Program**

- In 2010-2011, EXPLORE (grade 8) and PLAN (grade 10) will be added to the Alabama Student Assessment Program.
- In 2011-2012, ACT with Writing (grade 11) and WorkKeys (grade 12) will be added to the Alabama Student Assessment Program.
- The new assessments will help to ensure that our students are college-ready or career-ready.

**Additional Points**

- At this time, VERY FEW details have been worked out about the New Alabama Student Assessment Program.
- Although a number of assessments are being eliminated or combined into one assessment, five new assessments are being added to the Student Assessment Program between 2010-2011 and 2011-2012.
- Regarding the new assessment, no details are available for:
  - The dates or number of the testing windows.
  - Whether the current AHSGE will continue to be administered four times yearly for upper classman.
  - How much testing material will be sent to districts for implementation and administration of the new assessments (number of test booklets, answer documents and Test Administrator Manuals, etc.).
  - Which set(s) of testing materials will be housed in districts’ test storage or the length of time districts will store the testing materials for the new assessments.
- Information and details regarding the additions/changes to the Student Assessment Program will be shared as they are made available to the STC.