From: Margo Healy

Sent: Monday, June 23, 2008 12:01 PM

Subject: Fall Testing

Test Coordinators:
I have heard from many of you about your surprise that the Fall ISAT is not going to be available this fall, 2008.

I will continue to make TC UPDATES as things develop, but I will never be able to give advance notification of what our State Board will decide in an open meeting. Our State Board works much like your local board and all decisions have to be discussed in an open forum and decisions are made by a vote of all board members present.

This meeting:

Eliminated ISAT in Grade 2
Waived ISAT for grade 9 for 2008-2009
(This action protects the possibility of reinstating 9th grade in 2010 if funding is allocated.)
Waived Fall 2008 ISAT.

No action taken in the June meeting will affect the ***retest opportunities*** for 11th and 12 grade students who will be retesting. Graduation retest opportunity will be offered Summer 2008, Fall 2008, Winter 2008-09 and Spring 2009.

Sincerely,

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