

PART B ASSESSMENT DATA NOTES

2012-13 Reporting Year

This document provides information or data notes on the ways in which states collected and reported data differently from the Office of Special Education Programs (OSEP) data formats and instructions. In addition, the data notes provide explanations of substantial changes or other changes that data users may find notable or of interest in the data from the previous year.

American Samoa

American Samoa Department of Education did not use the SBA test in School Year 2012-2013. The Department of Education decided to use the SAT 10.

Guam

Guam is not required to report Reading/Language Arts and Mathematics under ESEA.

Marshall Islands

RMI Does not implement ESEA for Reading/Language Arts and Mathematics.

Micronesia

Micronesia's statewide assessment does not include assessment in Reading and Language Arts.

Minnesota

Minnesota has an alternate assessment based on modified achievement standards (AA-MAS). This assessment will be discontinued after the spring 2014 administration. In Minnesota, this assessment option is known as the MCA-Modified.

In Minnesota, part of the participation requirements for the MCA-Modified is that students take the grade-level assessment (known as the Minnesota Comprehensive Assessment (MCA)) in 3rd and 4th grade and received a score of "does not meet expectations". Because of this requirement, there are zero students who take the MCA-Modified in 3rd and 4th grades.

Mississippi

All high school students with a significant cognitive disability are administered an AA-AAS in Reading/Language Arts, Math, and Science. As per NCLB, this fulfills the participation requirement. The data from the scoring of these assessments as returned from the testing administrators is incompatible with the data generated from the general SATP2 assessments; therefore the scoring data is not able to be merged.

Northern Marianas

As an outlying area, CNMI does not report to the Department under ESEA Title 1

Palau

Palau does not implement ESEA.

Vermont

Vermont is a Fall Testing State. Data reported are for where a student tested which is often not the same place the student learned. Full Academic Year does not apply to testing schools.

Virginia

Virginia does not permit parental opt out as an option for statewide assessment. If parents refuse to have their child participate in a statewide assessment the student counts as a participant and the student, school, and local division receive a score of zero for the test and are counted as failures.