



K–3 Assessment System Overview

Istation is an online adaptive assessment that provides reliable data with frequent, age-appropriate measurement for students in kindergarten through third grade in the areas of:

- Phonological awareness
- Phonics
- Vocabulary
- Comprehension
- Fluency

The assessment is available in English and Spanish:

- English: ISIP™ ER—Istation's Indicators of Progress Early Reading
- Spanish: "ISIP™ Español—Istation's Indicators of Progress Español ISIP™ Español was developed as an authentic assessment and is not a translation of ISIP™ ER.

How to Get Started

Each district and charter school will identify a primary Istation contact. To **register please visit <http://www.istation.com/NewMexico> by July 29, 2016**. The registration site will provide guidance and next steps to ensure that your district or charter school is ready for K–3 students to access Istation at the beginning of the 2016–2017 school year.

Assessment Components

The Istation assessment system functions as both **universal screener** and **progress monitoring tool** aligned with the Common Core State Standards. The assessment system provides the following:

- Monitoring student progress;
- Assisting teachers and staff with immediate feedback and analysis through multiple available reports; and
- Providing teacher-directed reinforcing and remedial lessons for students as needed.

Istation Components		
ISIP™ Reading Assessments	Immediate Reporting	Instructional Tools
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Universal screener assessments for grades K–3 ● Progress monitoring available monthly ● Online assessments completed in less than 30 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Immediate, online reporting to determine areas of student need and monitor progress ● Reports prescribe teacher-led interventions 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 2,500 + scripted lessons and activities for intervention ● Other resources include activities, games, songs, downloadable books, parent

<p>minutes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Computer-adaptive technology selects successive questions based on responses to previous questions, tailoring the assessment to each student's level 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reports available at student, class, grade, school, and district levels 	<p>letters, etc.</p>
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Benefits

- ISIP™ ER and ISIP™ Español assessments will be provided at no cost to districts and charter schools.
- Less time (compared to the previous K-3 assessment system) is taken away from instruction for students, as the teacher does not administer the assessment individually.
- Students can access the Istation benchmark and progress monitoring measures on computers within the classroom, iPads, Chromebooks, or a lab setting. An entire class can be assessed in all measures in approximately 30–40 minutes in a lab setting. Individually, each subtest ranges from approximately 3–10 minutes.
- The interactive assessment keeps developing readers engaged while they work through engaging activities adjusted to each student's current reading level.
- Over 2,500 teacher-directed lesson plans are available for teacher use to support targeted instruction.
- Educators have immediate access to web-based reports that make it easy to monitor performance and make informed decisions about the individual instructional needs of each student.
- Parent letters are available for the teacher to regularly communicate student progress with families.

Technology Platforms

The following platforms may be used for implementation of the ISIP™ ER and ISIP™ Español:

- Windows
- Mac OS X
- iPad
- Chromebook
- Android version to be released January 2017

Istation Support

Istation is available to provide customer support as needed via the following contacts:

- Phone: 1-866-883-READ(7323)
- Email for general information: info@Istation.com
- Email for customer/technical support: support@Istation.com

Istation System Requirements

Specification	Windows	Mac
Supported Operating Systems	Windows XP, Vista, 7, 8, and 10	OS X 10.6 – 10.11
Processor	1.3 GHz	1.3 GHz Intel
Memory	512 MB RAM	512 MB RAM
Hard Disk	3 GB free space	3 GB free space
Graphic Display	1024x768	1024x768
Sound Card	with headphones	with headphones
Internet Connection	1.5 Mbps or greater	1.5 Mbps or greater
Specification	iPad	Chrome Devices
Supported Operating Systems	iOS 6.0-9.0	Chrome OS Stay informed: Chrome OS End of Life Policy
Processor	iPad 2+	ARM, X86 32 bit or X86 64 bit CPU
Memory		1 GB RAM
Hard Disk	3 GB free space	3 GB free space
Internet Connection	1.5 Mbps or greater	1.5 Mbps or greater

Istation employs a proprietary communication protocol designed to minimize Internet bandwidth usage when run by multiple students simultaneously in a school. Internal firewalls and/or content filters must be configured to allow outbound access to our servers:

IP address range:

174.143.0.184 – 174.143.0.191 (174.143.0.184/29)

184.106.6.73 – 184.106.6.75 (184.106.6.73/32, 184.106.6.74/31)

TCP ports 12500 through 12509

Istation 2016–2017 Assessment Calendar for ISIP™ ER and ISIP™ Español

Beginning of Year: Within first 40 days of instruction

Monthly progress monitoring for Tier 2 and Tier 3 students

Middle of Year: January 9–27, 2017

Monthly progress monitoring for Tier 2 and Tier 3 students

End of Year: May 1–19, 2017

Professional Development

In-Person Training Save the Date: Listed below are half-day day professional development opportunities for district and charter school Istation deployment teams to learn about the Istation assessment administration and reporting system.

It is the responsibility of the district or charter school to ensure that they provide supports to their schools and ensure that all K–3 teachers participate in training to ensure full implementation of Istation.

The district deployment team should include:

- District assessment coordinator;
- School administrators;
- Lead K–3 teachers; and
- Lead reading coaches.

Each district will allocated 5-6 training slots dependent on the size of the district or charter school and number of schools.

The district Istation deployment team responsibilities include:

- Attend in-person Istation professional development provided by the PED;
- Ensure that all grade K–3 teachers complete online Istation professional development. (Istation online training completion reports are available at the state, district, and school levels); and
- Serve as a content resource within the district and schools for supporting implementation of Istation.

District Istation deployment teams' next steps include:

- Ensure that the Istation assessment is implemented with fidelity to the benchmark and ongoing progress monitoring timelines; and
- Attend second round of Istation training in Fall 2016.

Although multiple in-person opportunities are available, each individual need only attend one half-day day session. Additional information regarding registration links, specific location details, and the number of allotted participants per district Istation deployment team will be available by July 14, 2016 at <http://www.istation.com/NewMexico>. See list of **Regional Training times and locations below:**

Regional Training Location	Dates and Times
Albuquerque	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • July 28 , 2016 8:30–11:30 am -or- 12:30–3:30 pm (repeat session from am) • August 10, 2016 8:30–11:30 am -or- 12:30–3:30 pm (repeat session from am)
Alamogordo	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • July 26 , 2016 8:30–11:30 am -or- 12:30–3:30 pm (repeat session from am) • August 9, 2016 8:30–11:30 am -or- 12:30–3:30 pm (repeat session from am)
Deming	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • July 25, 2016 8:30–11:30 am -or- 12:30–3:30 pm (repeat session from am) • August 8, 2016 8:30–11:30 am -or- 12:30–3:30 pm (repeat session from am)
Farmington	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • July 26, 2016 8:30–11:30 am -or- 12:30–3:30 pm (repeat session from am) • August 8, 2016 8:30–11:30 am -or- 12:30–3:30 pm (repeat session from am)
Hobbs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • August 2, 2016 8:30–11:30 am -or- 12:30–3:30 pm (repeat session from am) • August 16, 2016 8:30–11:30 am -or- 12:30–3:30 pm (repeat session from am)
Portales	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • August 3, 2016 8:30–11:30 am -or- 12:30–3:30 pm (repeat session from am) • August 18, 2016 8:30–11:30 am -or- 12:30–3:30 pm (repeat session from am)
Raton	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • August 1, 2016 8:30–11:30 am -or- 12:30–3:30 pm (repeat session from am) • August 16, 2016 8:30–11:30 am -or- 12:30–3:30 pm (repeat session from am)

Online Training: Ongoing online Istation training opportunities are available by accessing <http://www.istation.com/NewMexico>.

Webinars: Webinar registration is available by accessing <http://www.istation.com/NewMexico>:

Date	Time
Wednesday, July 13, 2016	2:00–3:00 pm
Thursday, July 14, 2016	9:00–10:00 am
Tuesday, July 19, 2016	3:00–4:00 pm
Thursday, July 21, 2016	11:00 am–12:00 pm
Tuesday, July 26, 2016	9:00–10:00 am
Thursday, July 28, 2016	2:00–3:00 pm

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