



# Classroom Diagnostic Tools

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## Spring 2010 Mathematics Field Test

### PROGRAM OVERVIEW

The Classroom Diagnostic Tools are a set of online tests designed to provide diagnostic information in order to guide instruction and remediation. The Classroom Diagnostic Tools will be offered in grades 6 through high school and will be available for use in schools and classrooms throughout the school year. The Classroom Diagnostic Tools is based on content covered by the Keystone Exams and the Pennsylvania System of School Assessments and includes an interactive and dynamic reporting suite. The Classroom Diagnostic Tools reporting system will be fully integrated in the Standards Aligned System (SAS).

### District Technology Coordinator Training

Training for the Technology Coordinators will be administered via web conference sessions and will be performed by DRC. The training sessions will focus on all technical aspects that are required for the setup of the online testing system for the Classroom Diagnostic Tools Field Test. Training will be offered at various times between **March 8 - 19, 2010**. Each training session will last approximately 1 ½ hours in length.

## Key Dates

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| <b>Online Registration Window:*</b>                                     | <b>February 8-26, 2010</b>                           |
| <b>Testing Software Download Release:</b>                               | <b>March 8, 2010</b>                                 |
| <b>District Technology Coordinator Training:</b>                        | <b>March 8-19, 2010</b>                              |
| <b>District Test Coordinator Training:</b>                              | <b>March 24-25, 2010</b><br><b>March 29-31, 2010</b> |
| <b>Field Test Window:</b>   | <b>April 26-May 28, 2010</b>                         |
| <b>*Contact DRC Customer Service to Enter Enrollments After 2/26/10</b> |  |

### FIELD TEST OVERVIEW

Mathematics is the first content area that will be made available to students and teachers via the Classroom Diagnostic Tools. In an effort to finalize the Classroom Diagnostic Tools Operational Test, the state will be conducting a Mathematics Field Test. The Mathematics Field Test is scheduled for **April 26 - May 28, 2010**. The field test will be open to students in grades 3 through high school.

### District Test Coordinator Training Dates

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| <b>March 24, 2010</b> | <b>Riverview IU 6</b><br>270 Mayfield Road, Clarion, PA 16214<br>(814)-672-7123           | <b>9:00-11:00AM</b>                       |
| <b>March 24, 2010</b> | <b>Hotel Bethlehem</b><br>437 Main Street, Bethlehem, PA 18018<br>(800)-607-2384          | <b>9:00-11:00AM</b>                       |
| <b>March 25, 2010</b> | <b>Atherton Hotel</b><br>125 S Atherton Street, State College, PA 16801<br>(814)-231-2100 | <b>9:00-11:00AM</b>                       |
| <b>March 25, 2010</b> | <b>Hilton Hotel</b><br>100 Adams Drive, Scranton, PA 18503<br>(570)-343-3000              | <b>9:00-11:00AM</b>                       |
| <b>March 29, 2010</b> | <b>PaTTAN</b><br>200 Anderson Road, King of Prussia, PA 19406<br>(610)-265-7321           | <b>9:00-11:00AM</b><br><b>1:00-3:00PM</b> |
| <b>March 30, 2010</b> | <b>PaTTAN</b><br>6340 Flank Drive, Harrisburg, PA 17112<br>(717)-541-4960                 | <b>9:00-11:00AM</b><br><b>1:00-3:00PM</b> |
| <b>March 31, 2010</b> | <b>PaTTAN</b><br>3190 William Pitt Way, Pittsburgh, PA 15238<br>(412)-826-2336            | <b>9:00-11:00AM</b><br><b>1:00-3:00PM</b> |

## Frequently Asked Questions

**Q: Who is required to participate?**

**A:** The field test is completely voluntary and any students in grades 3 through high school are eligible to participate.

**Q: How does DRC know the number of students I want to test and for which grades?**

**A:** After receipt of the District Registration Form, districts will be provided access to the PA eDIRECT system where the estimated number of students participating, by grade, is provided. Districts may elect to have certain schools and grades participate in the field test.

**Q: Do I need to provide/upload DRC with student information before the tests?**

**A:** DRC will pre-load the online test system with student, teacher, and class/course information based on the latest PIMS data collection (February 2010).

**Q: Why are grades 3 through 5 being tested in the Field Test if the Classroom Diagnostic Tools are available to grades 6 through high school?**

**A:** Content at these grades needs to be field tested so the data can be used to build the overall scale. When available Fall 2010, the Classroom Diagnostic Tools will be administered in a Computer Adaptive Test (CAT) format. Items in grades 3 through 5 will help diagnose students' strengths/weaknesses in foundational skills.

**Q: Will the students/districts receive scoring feedback from the field test?**

**A:** Scores and results will not be provided for the field test. However, when the Classroom Diagnostic Tools are available Fall 2010, results will be available via an interactive online reporting system.

**Q: What is the benefit of participating?**

**A:** By participating in the field test, students and test administrators can get first-hand experience using the online testing system and districts can assess their technical capacity for online testing.

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### CLASSROOM DIAGNOSTIC TOOLS PARTICIPATION

Additional district participation is needed.

To include your district in the Classroom Diagnostic Tools field test, complete and submit a registration form today!

To register, **download the District Registration Form** found on the PA eDIRECT home page at <https://pa.drctdirect.com>

To ensure that your District Technology and District Test Coordinator information is provided to DRC, please complete the Classroom Diagnostic Tools enrollment process.

In providing this contact information, you will ensure that your district will receive all communications related to the Classroom Diagnostic Tools Mathematics Field Test and gain access to the PA eDIRECT system, where the testing software, tutorials, test setup, and test

Contact DRC PA Customer Service  
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