# Office Hours: December 13, 2023 Q&A

#### Resources

- <u>Slides</u>
- Assessment Calendar
- SAU Technical Assistance Form

## Maine Through Year

No questions at this time

### **Maine Science**

#### Resources

- Score Interpretation Guide
- Reporting Platform Guide

No questions at this time

### **NAEP & International**

#### **NAEP Resources**

- Parent Notification Letter Translations are available in the top 10 languages spoken by the families of Maine Students at <a href="https://www.maine.gov/doe/Testing\_Accountability/MECAS/materials/natint">https://www.maine.gov/doe/Testing\_Accountability/MECAS/materials/natint</a>. Please scroll down to the bottom of the page.
- If you are experiencing difficulty registering or using the NAEP Assessment Management System, please contact the NAEP Helpdesk. Phone: 1-800-283-6237 or Email: naephelp@westat.com
- NAEP Drop In Questions and Assistance

Date & Time: Dec 15, 2023, from 11:00 AM to 2:00pm Eastern Time

Join Zoom Meeting:

https://westat.zoom.us/j/86896833065?pwd=qBjNeHbsWmGpDqBSMHmomVzY0hnCX

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Meeting ID: 868 9683 3065

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#### Questions

#### Was the survey sent to tech directors or DACs?

The Internet Connectivity Survey is embedded in the NAEP Assessment Management System. A MS Word copy was emailed to District Technology Coordinators and any designated On-site Technology Coordinators. Currently, these are the only two roles with the ability to complete the survey.

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The NAEP process is increasingly demanding more and more of the SAU/LAU. This creates additional burden for us. This is random however we always seem to be chosen. Would you please share why this is required?

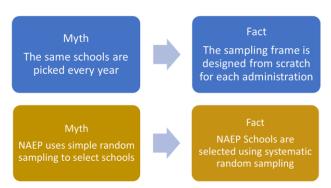
NAEP is moving toward online administration on student devices. During this transition, NAEP will providing the staff and equipment for administration of the assessment, but schools and SAUs are asked to provide access to school internet which involves the completion of additional tasks. The end goal of the future is for students to participate in NAEP in the same way and on the same devices that they participate in state assessment.

It is a common misunderstanding that NAEP selection is a simple random sample. The NAEP sampling design is a systematic random sample with probability proportional to size. This provides every student in the state with approximately the same probability of selection while ensuring that the selected sample is representative of Maine's population of students.

For NAEP 2024, approximately 4,100 – 4,200 students for each of grades 4 and 8 will be selected for participation. In Maine this is 30% - 40% of the students in each grade. The sample is chosen by a design that ensures all student demographic groups are represented from all sizes of schools and from all regions in Maine. Maine has a small number of large schools, these schools will be selected more frequently, but only a portion of the students in the sampled grade will be selected. Maine has many small schools. Small schools are selected less frequently, but in schools with less than 50 students in the sampled grade all student students in that grade will be selected for participation.

State participation in NAEP has been required since the No Child Left Behind Act (NCLB, 2001) and has been reauthorized in the "Every Student Succeeds Act" (ESSA, 2015). Maine ensures participation in NAEP through the assurances provided by the Superintendents of Maine SAU.

## NAEP Sampling Myth vs Fact



- · Provides a more representative sample
- When combined with the student sampling it provides every student in the state with approximately the same probability of selection

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## **ACCESS & Alternate ACCESS**

No questions at this time