Proficiency Summer School FAQ

What is Proficiency Summer School?

• A Board of Education approved opportunity for students who have not demonstrated proficiency on state EOG or EOC to receive additional instruction and then take the associated EOG or EOC again.

What are the dates of Proficiency Summer School

- At the Middle and Elementary level, targeted small group instruction will take place after state testing is completed and results are returned.
- High School level targeted instruction will take place on the afternoons of exams, after results have been returned.
- Administration of the additional EOGs / EOCs will be scheduled on June 7 & 8.
- Targeted small group instruction will follow the testing on June 7th prior to dismissal.

Are students required to participate in Proficiency Summer School?

• No. Students who have not demonstrated proficiency are not required to attend, but it is strongly encouraged.

How will the Proficiency Summer School opportunity be communicated to parents/guardians?

- Preliminary information letters will be sent home to all parents in the Spring.
- Letters with detailed information will be sent home to identified students once initial test data is returned to the schools.
- Each school must develop a communication plan for staff, students, and parents/guardians.

Who will participate in Proficiency Summer School?

- Math students, 3-8, who have not scored proficient on the Math EOG.
- Reading students, 4-8, who have not scored proficient on the Reading EOG.
- Science students, 5 and 8, who have not scored proficient on the Science EOG.
- NC Math I students (1st and 2nd semesters) who have not scored proficient on the NC Math I EOC.
- English II students (1st and 2nd semesters) who have not scored proficient on the English II EOC.
- Biology students (1st and 2nd semesters) who have not scored proficient on the Biology EOC.

Are students identified in the Exceptional Children's Program eligible to attend Proficiency Summer School?

• Yes, all students who were not considered proficient are encouraged to attend. This includes students who were assessed with the regular EOG/EOC, as well as students who were assessed with the EXT 1 EOG/EOC.

Why is 3rd Grade Reading not included in the Proficiency Summer School?

• 3rd Grade Reading has a separate requirement for Reading Camp through <u>Read to Achieve</u> legislation.

Where will Proficiency Summer School be held?

• Each school will host their own Proficiency Summer School.

What are the hours of Proficiency Summer School?

- Elementary 8:00 to 2:00
- Middle 8:30 2:30
- High 7:30 to 1:30

Will transportation be provided for students on June 7th and 8th?

• Yes, buses will run the same morning schedule and make the same stops as during the regular school year. Afternoon stops will be on a one hour early release schedule.

Will meals be provided on June 7th and 8th?

• Yes, breakfast and lunch will be served at no cost to students.

Will the results of Proficiency Summer School factor into individual / school / teacher growth data?

• No. The results will factor into proficiency, but not growth.

Who will teach and test during Proficiency Summer School?

• Principals will develop a Proficiency Summer School plan. The plan will include schedules for small groups and administration of the additional EOGs / EOCs. All staff are expected to participate in the Proficiency Summer School.

What needs to be included in the school level Proficiency Summer School plan?

- Communication plan for notifying teachers, students, and parents and ensuring students attend.
- A schedule for small group instruction.
- Plan for administration of the additional EOGs / EOCs.

Will students at WECA and WAAT participate in Proficiency Summer School?

- Yes. Due to the difference in the school calendars, WECA and WAAT will provide Proficiency Summer School opportunities at a time outside that of the comprehensive schools.
- The dates for Proficiency Summer School testing at WECA and WAAT will be May 21st-May 23rd.

Is there a communication or guidance from the state about Proficiency Summer School?

• Yes. The North Carolina Department of Public Instruction sent a <u>letter</u> to local superintendents in November 2017.