**REACH Performance Tasks**

**School Year 2018 - 2019 Testing Dates**
- **Fall (BOY):** September 17, 2018 - November 2, 2018
- **Winter (MOY3):** February 4, 2019 - March 1, 2018
- **Spring (MOY4):** April 8, 2019 - May 10, 2019
- **Spring (EOY):** May 6, 2019 - June 7, 2019

**What are REACH Performance Tasks?**
REACH Performance Tasks (REACH PTs) are performance-based, formative assessments that are written by exemplar CPS teachers under the guidance and support of district-wide Content Area teams. REACH PTs are administered at the beginning and the end of the year to measure student growth within a specific subject or course. REACH tasks are district-mandated assessments that are incorporated into teacher’s student growth REACH evaluations. A performance task is a written or hands-on demonstration of mastery, or progress towards mastery, of selected standards or skills. Performance Tasks require students to perform or to generate meaning on their own rather than select answers from a predetermined list. The PTs can yield rich insights not only into what students know and do not yet know, but how they apply their knowledge to complex questions or tasks. This provides teachers with formative information they can use to help students improve not just their content knowledge, but the facility with which they can “put it all together.”

**What are the purposes of these assessments?**

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<td>Once in the beginning of the year and once at the end. Teachers on a semester or block schedule can administer the beginning of year during either the MOY3 or MOY4 windows.</td>
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**How do teachers obtain REACH Performance Tasks?**
Teachers may order BOY Performance Tasks in August and EOY PT’s in February each year using the English and Spanish Translation Order Forms available on the [REACH Performance Task page](http://www.amplify.com/cps) of the CPS Knowledge Center. All ordered tasks will be printed and delivered during the first few weeks of the PT administration window. Teachers who do not order their tasks must print them off from the [REACH Performance Task page](http://www.amplify.com/cps).

**Who should be assessed?**
The number of students who should be assessed depends on the content area and grade level one teaches. Detailed instructions on how many students should be assessed are located starting on pg. 9 of the [1819 CPS REACH PT Admin Manual](http://www.amplify.com/cps).

**How are results reported?**
REACH Performance Task results are reported to teachers in their REACH Summative Report, which is released to educators in the fall of the following year.

**Where can I find additional information about REACH Performance Tasks?**
- **CPS staff** can find additional information on the [REACH Performance Task page](http://www.amplify.com/cps) and in the [1819 CPS REACH PT Admin Manual](http://www.amplify.com/cps)
- CPS staff can also email reachperformance@cps.edu with any questions.

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