



2023 WISCONSIN ACT 20 IMPLEMENTATION TIMELINE

July 19, 2023 Gov. Evers signs bipartisan SB 329 into law as 2023 Wisconsin Act 20

July 21, 2023 School boards are prohibited from purchasing reading curricula, instructional materials, and intervention materials that include three-cueing or MSV

July 1, 2024

- Schools are prohibited from using three-cueing or MSV materials and practices
- School boards must post school district reading remediation plans on the district website

October 15, 2024 WI DPI publishes an annual literacy coaching report

December 1, 2024 Schools begin early literacy screening for students in 5K-3rd grade:

- Schools begin using the DPI approved early literacy screener*
- Parents must be notified of scores within 15 days of the assessment
- Students scoring below 25% are given diagnostic assessments within 10 days and a personal reading plan must be created

January 1, 2025 Parents may file compliance enforcement complaints with the WI DPI for violations of Wis. Stat. 118.016:

- Early literacy screenings
- Parent notification
- Interventions used for personal reading plans

Spring 2025 Fundamental early literacy screening begins for 4K students*

July 1, 2025

- Teachers, administrators, and University of Wisconsin System faculty must receive the required 2023 Act 20 science of reading-based training
- Each school board must adopt a written policy for promoting students from 3rd to 4th grade. The school board 3rd grade promotion policy begins July 1, 2027

**WI 2023 ACT 192 delayed implementation from July 1, 2024, to the middle of the school year. (Dec. 2024- Jan. 2025 aimswebPlus testing window)*

What does 2023 Wisconsin Act 20 do?

Reading Screening Components

Requires schools to screen students in grades 5k-3, at no cost, three times per year on these skills:

- Phonemic awareness
- Decoding skills
- Alphabet knowledge
- Letter sound knowledge
- Oral vocabulary



Help for Struggling Readers

All parents receive:

- Parental notice of student's reading screener score

Parents of struggling readers who score below 25% on the early literacy screener receive:

- Diagnostic screening data
- Creation of a personal reading plan
- Intervention based on student's needs
- Regular assessment to ensure that the student is making progress toward grade-level reading proficiency