

# SOLON COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Dear Parent/Guardian of Private Instruction Students:

In an effort to effectively coordinate completion of appropriate forms and support your family's desire for Private Instruction, the Solon Community Schools is forwarding the following information to you in the enclosed packet:

- Private Instruction Comparison Chart
- Competent Private Instruction Form A
- Instructions for Competent Private Instruction, Form A
- Acceptable Tests for Baseline and Annual Assessment Requirements
- Parent/Guardian Notification Letter regarding FERPA
- Private Instruction Responsibilities
- AEA Letter regarding Standardized Testing/Reply Form

This information must be returned to the Solon Community School District Central Office, 301 South Iowa Street, Solon, IA 52333 by August 31, 2015, or within 14 days of removing the student from the Solon Schools.

The complete Private Instruction 2015-2016 Handbook is available on the Iowa Department of Education's web site at: <https://www.educateiowa.gov/pk-12/options-educational-choice/competent-private-instruction-home-schooling>. Some competent private instruction options require students to take a standardized test or develop a portfolio to show annual adequate progress. To assist with these assessments, the Solon Community School District will be offering the following tests during the week of February 8-12, 2016:

- Iowa Assessments (formerly known as ITBS and ITED) for students in grades two through eleven.

For a list of other district-wide assessments, check the district's web site [www.solon.k12.ia.us](http://www.solon.k12.ia.us), grades to be assessed and dates for the assessments.

To arrange for your child to take the Iowa Assessments or other district-wide assessments, please contact the building principals for more details regarding testing sites and times: Jodi Rickels, Lakeview Elementary Principal (ext. 1291, [jrickels@solon.k12.ia.us](mailto:jrickels@solon.k12.ia.us)); Mike Herdliska, Middle School Principal (ext. 1303, [miherdliska@solon.k12.ia.us](mailto:miherdliska@solon.k12.ia.us)); or Nathan Wear, High School Principal (ext. 1103, [nwear@solon.k12.ia.us](mailto:nwear@solon.k12.ia.us)).

We hope this information is helpful to you in completing the appropriate forms, returning them to Solon Community School District Central Office, and participating in district-wide assessments.

Best regards,

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Superintendent

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Director of Instruction