



## PARCC Technology Bundle RFP

Washington, D.C. - September 10, 2013 - The Partnership for Assessment of Readiness for College and Careers (PARCC), a 20-state consortium working together to create next generation assessments, released a request for proposal (RFP) for assessment technology components including a computer-based test delivery platform, an assessment item repository, a data warehouse, score reporting tools, and a score reports design study. This is the first RFP that will be procured by the PARCC non-profit governed by the states in the consortium.

The technology components being procured through this RFP will be used to support PARCC assessments starting with portions of the first full operational year in 2014-2015. Earlier this year, PARCC engaged Pearson, as an option to the competitively bid field test administration contract, to provide the Pearson TestNav 8 test delivery platform to administer the PARCC Spring 2014 Field Test and the summative components of the 2014-2105 assessments.

Through this procurement, PARCC is seeking technical innovations that can support the assessment innovations currently in development. These include greater degrees of student interaction with assessment items and more opportunities to write, graph, and create other forms of constructed responses that allow students to demonstrate their knowledge and skills relative to the Common Core State Standards.

The PARCC procurement emphasizes a flexible, modular, and scalable technical infrastructure; and all components will be designed for future release as open source technologies. As next generation assessments, PARCC's computer-based tests must work across a range of desktop, laptop, and tablet computers using web-based technologies and are required to function equally well in schools with low bandwidth and in schools with high levels of Internet connectivity. Test and data security, and data privacy are also critical requirements across all technical components.

Vendors should sign up for information through <http://www.parcconline.org/Procurement> <sup>[1]</sup>. For more information or questions about the RFP and the procurement process, please email: [TechBundle@parcconline.org](mailto:TechBundle@parcconline.org) <sup>[2]</sup>.

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