



April 2019 AEA System Update

FASTBridge Registration for 2019-20 to Include Option for Grades 7 and 8

Last year many of Iowa's schools took advantage of AEA-subsidized costs for math and behavior assessments through FastBridge for K-6 students, and the AEA system is pleased to offer subsidized costs for schools again for the 2019-20 school year.*

This year districts also can upgrade their FAST subscriptions to include additional grades.**

Grade Participation

The expanded assessment suites in math and behavior will be available in K-6 as was available last year, and now schools also can elect to include grades 7 and 8 for 2019-20 at a reduced rate. This option is available both to schools that purchased the expanded assessment suite in 2018-19 and those that want to use for the first time in 2019-20.

Projected Pricing

Subscriptions will be based on a per student annual cost, and your AEA and the statewide AEA system have committed to covering 50 percent of the cost for each K-8 student in Iowa.

K-6 Pricing

Statewide Count of Participating Students	Total Cost per student for Full Suite Upgrade	School District Share of Total Cost per Student
250,000	\$2.00	\$1.00
200,000	\$2.25	\$1.12
150,000	\$2.50	\$1.25





Subsidized Pricing for Grades 7 & 8

Statewide Count of Participating Students	Total Cost per student for Addition of Grades 7 and 8	School District Share of Total Cost per Student
Total cost per student for Full Suite (Behavior, Literacy & Math) for less than 20,000 students	\$6.00	\$3.00
New and/or renewal subscriptions for over 20,000 students	\$5.90	\$2.95
New and/or renewal subscriptions for over 25,000 students	\$5.75	\$2.88
New and/or renewal subscriptions for over 35,000 students	\$5.60	\$2.80
New and/or renewal subscriptions over 50,000 students	\$5.50	\$2.75

Registration and Billing

All new and renewing schools will be sent registration information in early April to participate for the 2019-20 school year. Schools will be billed in September or October based on the school's spring enrollment.





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* The AEAs' subsidization of this expanded suite of assessments is based on the understanding that your district/school will allow AEA staff working with your schools to access School Manager level data. This will allow the AEA to partner with district staff to provide appropriate supports for leaders, teachers and students at the district, school, grade and classroom levels.

** It is important to note the AEA agreement is contingent upon FastBridge Learning Software's continuation of the Service and Professional Services agreement with the Iowa Department of Education for the Early Literacy Implementation.

Mandatory Reporter Curriculum Responsibilities Transferred

Curriculum responsibilities for Mandatory Reporter certification will be transferred to the Iowa Department of Human Services. It will continue to be accessible through AEA Learning Online. This certification is valid for three years, and those who have taken it recently will be grandfathered in.