

## Assessment Conference: News and Notes

Facilitators: Kathryn Richardson, Lisa Arneson, John Meinke

Guest presenters: Laura Pinsonneault, Wisconsin DPI and  
Ernie Morgan, VARC

Would you like to find out more about the plans for state-wide assessment after the retirement of the WKCE? Do you have an interest in the work being done at Value Added Research Center (VARC)? Would you like updates from the Center for Accountability and Assessment concerning the "CSI Investigation possibilities"? If so, you should attend the Assessment Conference at CESA 5 on May 4, 2010.

The conference will be "discussion group" format. The discussion will be centered upon the assessment models being used for data based decision making now and in the future. District needs for the future and the role that CESA 5 team members can play in the initiatives will also be discussed.

### Assessment Conference Agenda

**9:00 Opening comments and introductions, Kathryn Richardson**

9:30 The future of high stakes testing, Laura Pinsonneault, Wisconsin DPI

The transformation from the WKCE to the future

What we know and what we think about the future of state-wide assessment

**10:40 Horizon initiatives, John Meinke**

Districts' needs for the future

Student reports online within a data bank

**11:10 Blending local and high stakes data in the cycle of continuous improvement, Lisa Arneson**

What we, at CESA 5, will do in the future to customize continuous improvement for our districts

The use of local data in the process

**12:30 VARC The Redeeming Value Found in Rich Data, Ernie Morgan VARC Associate Researcher,**

Attainment versus Growth, Why Value Added? Applications of Value Added in data analysis

**2:00 Share Session,**

Participants will share success stories, pitfalls, and general insights in the data analysis process

How can we combine efforts?

**3:00 Closing**

### Registration Information

#### Workshop #863

**Cost:** \$50 For CESA 5 Center Members

**Location:** CESA 5 – Portage

**Time:** 9:00 – 3:00

Please register for this workshop at

[www.myquickreg.com](http://www.myquickreg.com)

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