

# DETROIT PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Dear Colleague,

I am writing to you about a great short-term job opportunity with the National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP) also known as the Nation's Report Card which is sponsored by the U.S. Department of Education.

The Detroit Public Schools is pleased to be a part of the Trial Urban District Assessment (TUDA) for the 2008-09 school year. TUDA is a special component of NAEP, the nation's Report Card that measures student achievement in various content areas since 1969. NAEP allows for comparisons among states; TUDA allow for benchmarking student performance among large-urban districts.

This opportunity is ideal for retired teachers, counselors, and administrators. It provides an excellent opportunity for you to return to the schools without the demands of a full time teacher. Westat, a leading research organization, has been contracted to administer this assessment. Nationally, over 6,000 assessors will be needed this year. The assignment begins on January 26, 2009 and ends on March 6, 2009.

The salary is competitive and includes one paid training day for all test administrators. Additionally, compensation is also provided for door-to-door mileage. There is also the possibility for additional work assignments and/or career advancement.

For more information about NAEP in general please contact [www.nces.ed.gov/nationsreportcard](http://www.nces.ed.gov/nationsreportcard). For more information about Westat please contact [www.westat.org](http://www.westat.org). For more information about this exciting job opportunity, please send your resume by e-mail, including your name, address, and phone number to [NAEPRecruit@Westat.com](mailto:NAEPRecruit@Westat.com) or mail to:

WESTAT-NAEP GA-L34 (Attn: Pat Heiser)  
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Thank you for considering participation in this national research project. Should you have questions about this national project, please call 1-800-627-NAEP (6237).

Sincerely,

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Associate Superintendent

Human Resources

# Short-Term Job Opportunity

with the National Assessment of Educational Progress

## What is NAEP?

The National Assessment of Educational Progress, also known as the Nation's Report Card, is the only nationally representative and ongoing assessment of what American students know and can do. Sponsored by the U.S. Department of Education, NAEP has been conducted since 1969 and is nationally recognized as the "gold standard" of elementary and secondary student assessments.

## Tell me more about this opportunity!

NAEP is conducted between the last week in January through the first week in March every other (odd) year, employing thousands of staff. NAEP 2009 has short-term opportunities to work on this important study of American education. Job assignments begin in late 2008 and early 2009, and last until March 2009.

### Candidates should:

- ▶ enjoy working with children in schools,
- ▶ be detail oriented,
- ▶ be able to work in a team environment, and
- ▶ have good communication skills.

Prior education or research experience is a plus. Ideal for retired teachers.

### Responsibilities include:

- ▶ administering assessment sessions in schools for a group of approximately 30 students, and
- ▶ ensuring quality control by preparing, reviewing, and coding assessment forms.

**Westat**, a nationally prominent research firm responsible for conducting NAEP since 1985, is an Equal Opportunity Employer offering:

- ▶ paid training,
- ▶ paid time and mileage reimbursement for local driving from home to schools and back,
- ▶ weekly paychecks (with direct deposit available), and
- ▶ opportunities for advancement based on performance.

## How do I find out more about this opportunity?

For more information about how to contribute to the study of American education, please call 1-888-237-8036 or e-mail [NAEPRecruit@westat.com](mailto:NAEPRecruit@westat.com). Please mention **Job Code OL/N8A/8944**.

For more information about Westat, visit [www.westat.com](http://www.westat.com).