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GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

DTC Webinar Series **REPEAT**

ODE presents the monthly DTC Webinar on Wednesday, February 14, 2024 from 10:00-11:00 AM.

To attend, please register for each webinar using <u>this link</u>. This will give you the option to add the appointment to your calendar.

If you have any questions, you'd like answered during the webinars Q&A session, please submit through <u>this form</u> or contact <u>Crys</u> <u>Plattner</u>, Assessment Administrative Support.

TEST ADMINISTRATION

2023 - 2024 HS ELA and Math Statewide Summative Testing Window Opening

The window for administration of the In-person English Language Arts (ELA) and Math tests (Grade 11 only) opens **February 6, 2024**.

For more information on the testing windows for additional grades or the remote test administration window, please refer to the <u>2023-24 Oregon Statewide Summative Test Schedule</u>.

As a reminder, prior to beginning a test session, verify that appropriate student accommodations and supports have been accurately set in TIDE. See the <u>Oregon Accessibility Manual</u> for more information about accommodations and supports.

Please contact your <u>District Testing Coordinator</u> or <u>Regional ESD</u> <u>Partner</u> with any questions regarding test administration.

OSAS Professional Development Opportunity: ELA and Mathematics Summative Test Scoring REPEAT

The Oregon Department of Education (ODE) is seeking educators interested in participating in the scoring of ELA and Mathematics test items for Oregon Statewide Summative Tests.

• This opportunity to participate in summative test scoring is primarily intended for individuals who would like to deepen their understanding of hand-scored items and the rubrics used to score them.

- As part of ODE's collaboration with Measurement Incorporated (MI), applicants will be signed on as temporary employees with MI and will receive compensation at the standard ODE rate of \$40.94 per hour.
- Applicants will need to apply for either ELA or mathematics scoring.

NOTE: There are minimum technical requirements to install and run the scoring platform. For instance, the scoring platform <u>does not</u> run properly on ChromeOS.

The initial training for this project will occur on Monday, March 4, 2024, in Salem, OR. Substitute and travel costs for the March 4 training day will be reimbursed based on ODE guidelines.

Following that training day, qualified raters will then remotely score items during their own off-contract time throughout spring.

For additional information, please review the <u>Scoring Recruitment Notice</u>.

ODE will prioritize selection based on educator and regional diversity, active classroom educators and instructional coaches, grade band scoring needs, and a combination of both new and experienced scoring experience.

The deadline for submitting an <u>application</u> is **Tuesday, February 13, 2024**, and ODE will notify successful applicants by February 16 along with information on next steps.

If there are additional questions then please contact either:

Tony Bertrand, Language Arts Assessment Specialist or Andrew Byerley, Mathematics Assessment Specialist.

ELPA

Alt ELPA Test Window Reminder REPEAT

The 2023-24 Alternate English Language Proficiency Assessment (Alt ELPA) test window runs from 1/30/24 to 4/12/24. The following elements must be in place to administer the Alt ELPA:

- District IEP teams have identified eligible students and recorded eligibility in the student's IEP (see <u>Alt</u> <u>ELPA Decision Making Resource</u>).
- Test Administrator (TA) has access to the <u>Alt ELPA User Guide</u> and the Alt ELPA TA Directions and Scoring Rubrics Booklets, which are found under the General Resources pulldown in the Test Information Distribution Engine (TIDE).
- TA has the "ELPA Summative" Test Group permission in TIDE.
- Each testing student's English Learner Flag and Alt ELPA Tester Flag are set to Yes in TIDE.

Contact <u>Mason Rivers</u>, Special Education Assessment Specialist, for more information about the Alt ELPA.

Contact your <u>Regional ESD Partner</u> or the <u>OSAS Helpdesk</u> for help with test administration.

ACCOUNTABILITY & REPORTING

ARAC Recruitment Announcement REPEAT

The Oregon Department of Education (ODE) is seeking applicants to fill two vacancies on the Accountability Reporting Advisory Committee (ARAC). The ARAC is a committee defined in rule (i.e., OAR <u>581-002-0090</u>) and provides guidance and recommendations to ODE concerning accountability policies, procedures, and methodologies as well as school and district appeals of accountability data that appear on the At-A-Glance

School and District Profiles and Accountability Detail Sheets. The committee consists of individuals from educational institutions representing communities across the state of Oregon.

For more information about the committee please see the <u>January 25 article</u>. If interested in participating in the committee, please complete <u>online questionnaire</u> by Thursday February 29, 2024.

If you have any questions or issues completing the online application, please contact <u>Elyse Bean</u>, Research Analyst.