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TEST ADMINISTRATION

ELPA

Free Access Expires May 31 for ELPA21 English Learner Educator Toolkit: Newcomer Supplement

In 2022-23, ELPA21 released a supplement to its **ELPA21 English Learner Educator Toolkit**, focusing on "Newcomer" students with EL status. While some elements of this supplement can be used independently, it is designed to work best in tandem with the base EL Toolkit (released in 2021-22). The Newcomer supplement remains free to Oregon educators **until 5/31/23**, after which time it will be available for purchase in the <u>NABE web store</u>, alongside other ELPA21 products, such the base ELPA21 EL Toolkit and the English Learners Classroom Poster. Practitioners can download the free **ELPA21 English Learner Educator Toolkit: Newcomer Supplement** by entering their information <u>in this form</u>. Note that if you already used this form in 2022-23, you will not receive a new email. Instead, search your email archives for a message with the subject line "ELPA21 EL Educator Toolkit: Newcomer Supplement – Access".

Please contact <u>Ben Wolcott</u>, ELPA Specialist, with questions about ELPA testing.

EARLY LEARNING TRANSITION CHECK-IN

Amended Rule Adopted by State Board of Education!!

Oregon's State Board of Education unanimously adopted the amended rule <u>OAR 581-022-2130</u>, Community Informed Information Gathering Process at Kindergarten, on February 16, 2023. The amended rule fully supports the kindergarten assessment redesign process called the <u>Early Learning Transition</u> <u>Check In: A Collaborative Engagement with Community</u>. Read more about notable changes at ODE's website <u>Community Informed</u> <u>Information Gathering Process</u>. Detailed information regarding the Fall 2023 Pilot: Family Conversation can also be found there.

Please note, until the pilot process is complete, districts will not be required to report on this rule and therefore should not administer any components of the previous kindergarten assessment to students. Questions about the Community Informed Information Gathering Process at Kindergarten? Contact ODE's K-2 Balanced Assessment Specialist, <u>Sody Fearn</u>.

ACCOUNTABILITY & REPORTING

2022-23 New School Status Requests due May 1, 2023 REPEAT

Oregon Department of Education annually provides schools an opportunity to request that the Accountability Detail Sheets take into account boundary changes due to modifications to attendance areas, restructuring of schools (e.g., consolidation, separation, etc.), or changes to grade configurations.

If you feel that it would be appropriate to request New School status, please visit the <u>Accountability Details</u> <u>webpage</u> under the "Tools" menu to access 2022-23 Boundary Change Calculator and other pertinent information.

See the <u>April 6 A&A Update</u> for more information.

For questions, please contact Elyse Bean, Research Analyst.