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Assessment of Essential Skills Graduation Requirement Suspension Extended through 2027-28

The [Senate Bill 744](#) suspension of the Assessment of Essential Skills graduation policy was extended through 2027-2028 by the Oregon State Board of Education on Thursday, October 19, 2023.

This adoption by the Oregon State Board of Education allows further time for the Oregon Legislature to address the [SB 744 Report, Community-Informed Recommendations for Equitable Graduation Outcomes](#), published by ODE on September 1, 2022.

Additionally, the current extension will allow for community engagement to better support operationalizing the two determinations and the remaining seven recommendations on graduation requirements.

Note: The Oregon State Board of Education's extension of SB 744 applies to the Assessment of Essential Skills requirements for receiving a Regular or Modified Diploma and does not suspend the local performance assessment requirements for students in grades 3 through 8 and at least once in high school.

- Though not related directly to assessment, it is important to note that Oregon's challenging credit requirements and the Personalized Learning Requirements (education plan & profile, career-related learning, and extended application graduation) remain in place, as well.

For additional information or questions regarding the Assessment of Essential Skills policy, please contact

ODE.SenateBill744@ode.oregon.gov.

District Assessment Inventory Update **REPEAT**

[HB 4124](#), passed in the 2022 legislative session, requires ODE to conduct a survey of academic assessments administered by school districts in the state of Oregon. This survey is known as the District Assessment Inventory.

- The [District Assessment Inventory page](#) includes resources and instructions for completing the Inventory.
- On 10/5/23, District Testing Coordinators (DTCs) were invited to designate their district's District Assessment Inventory point of contact via [this Smartsheet form](#).

- As points of contact are designated, ODE will supply them with a link to an individual submission tool (“Inventory form”) for that district.
- Districts should plan to complete the Inventory form by the end of the day on **January 8, 2024**.

Please contact the [ODE District Assessment Inventory Team](#) with questions or concerns.

Important 2023-24 DTC Training Dates REPEAT

The annual training is required of both new and returning DTCs. You can find more information on training requirements in the Test Administration Manual Section 1.5.

Register below for one of three dates:

- [Tuesday, November 7, 2023 | 3:00-4:30 PM](#)
- [Wednesday, November 8, 2023 | 9:00-10:30 AM](#)
- [Thursday, November 9, 2023 | 3:45-5:15 PM](#)

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting.

Along with the DTC Training, all DTC’s must complete the DTC Fact Finder by **November 7**. The Fact Finder is available at [this Google Form link](#).