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CONTACTS

Regional ESD Partners

http://www.oregon.gov/ode/educatorresources/assessment/Documents/esdpartners.pdf

Who To Contact at ODE

http://www.oregon.gov/ode/educatorresources/assessment/Documents/aa-who-tocontact.pdf

IMPORTANT DATES

For the weeks and months ahead

Find all the Assessment & Accountability dates for the current school year in the

A&A CHECKLIST

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GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Upcoming System Downtime December 15 - 17

This is a reminder of the previously scheduled maintenance downtime from **5:00 p.m. PT on Friday, December 15** through **7:00 p.m. PT on Sunday, December 17**.

TIDE, TDS, and ORS will unavailable during this period. The full list of Scheduled Downtime is available at oaksportal.org.

ACCOUNTABILITY & REPORTING

Staff Position Collection: December 14, 2017 - January 29, 2018

The Staff Position Collection collects data for all school/district staff employed for at least 20 consecutive work days on December 1, 2017. Materials for this training are posted online at the <u>Staff Position</u> <u>Resources page</u> and the <u>Staff Position Schedule of Due Dates page</u>.

A web training was held on Wednesday, December 6, 2017, and a recording of the training will be posted shortly on <u>ODE's Video Training website</u>. In addition to this training, a <u>second training</u> will be held on **Thursday, December 14, 2017 at 2 PM** for new submitters. This training will go into more detail about the data elements collected and the submission process. If you are new to submitting the Staff Position collection, please watch both the December 6 and the December 14 trainings.

For more information, please contact your <u>Regional ESD Partner</u> or <u>Beth Blumenstein</u> at 503-947-5767.

Second Period Cumulative ADM Web Training REPEAT

ODE will provide a <u>web training</u> on **Thursday, December 7 at 2:00 p.m.** for the 2017-2018 Second Period Cumulative ADM collection. This training will cover the submission of Second Period ADM records for the period of July 1, 2017 - December 31, 2017.

If you are unable to attend this web training, it will be recorded, and the video should be available within a week of the training at the same web location listed above. If you have any questions, please contact your regional ESD partners or Elyse Bean at elyse.bean@state.or.us.

Second Period Cumulative ADM Collection Opens December 14

The Second Period Cumulative ADM collection will be open for data submission from **December 14, 2017 - January 12, 2018**. This collection is the submission of Cumulative ADM records for the period of July 1, 2017 - December 31, 2017. The purpose of the Second Period Cumulative ADM collection is for the State School Fund estimates, validations for First Period Cumulative ADM, and the Fall Membership report.

More information about Second Period ADM and the web training on **Thursday, December 7** can be found in the <u>event listing</u>. If you have any questions, please contact your <u>regional ESD partners</u> or Elyse Bean at <u>elyse.bean@state.or.us</u>.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

Answers to Common Questions from the Field

QUESTION: Will <u>test items</u> aligned to the 2014 Oregon Science Standards (NGSS) be included in the calculation of the overall score on the 2017-18 OAKS Science test?

ANSWER: No. NGSS-aligned, embedded field test items will not be included in the calculation of the overall test score on the 2017-18 OAKS Science Test. The OAKS Science Test Blueprint normally includes embedded field test items which are not included in the calculation of overall test scores. For more information on field testing and the 2017-18 OAKS Science embedded field test, please see Science (OAKS) Tests Specifications and Blueprints and section 8.0 Administering the OAKS Online Science and Social Sciences Assessments of the Test Administration Manual.

QUESTION: Will the 2017-18 OAKS Science Test deliver a score immediately after completion as it has in past years?

ANSWER: Yes. The 2017-18 Test Administrator User Guide provides information regarding the scale score students will see on the 'Your Results' page upon completion of the 2017-18 OAKS Science Test (see Page 52). Please contact Noelle Gorbett, Science Assessment Specialist, at Noelle.Gorbett@state.or.us if you seek clarification or have additional questions.

QUESTION: I cannot find my district's 1% participation rate by subject areas (ELA, Math, and Science) and disability codes in the article posted in the November 30 A&A Update.

ANSWER: Districts who are not projected to exceed the 1% participation cap are not listed on the 1% participation rate by subject areas (ELA, Math, and Science) and disability codes spreadsheet.