

## Oregon Adult Basic Skills WIOA Title II Adult Education and Family Literacy Grant

2023-2024 Oregon Assessment Policy (updated July/August 2023 to reflect new CASAS Assessments and sunsetting of BEST Plus 2.0).

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- P. 6: Table 1: Updated to include new CASAS Math GOALS 2, CASAS Reading STEPS, CASAS Listening STEPS
- Included sunsetting information for CASAS Math GOALS, CASAS Life and Work, and BEST Plus 2.0
- P. 7: Validity and Reliability: Deleted sentence referring to names of sunsetting CASAS Test Administration Manuals.
- Added sentence reflecting alignment of CASAS STEPS series to the English Language Proficiency Standards for Adult Education.
- Struck the word "new" from the following sentence to eliminate confusion with newest CASAS assessments: "Test content of the new CASAS Reading GOALS series is aligned with College and Career Readiness (CCR) Standards for Adult Education."
- P. 15: Uniform Test Administration Times
- Added new NRS-approved assessments. All times for all assessments and series listed.
- PP. 16-17: Appraisal and Locator Tests
- Struck sentence regarding number of items in the locator and appraisal tests so as not to create confusion between old and new series.
- Updated Table 2A title to specify "CASAS Reading GOALS, Math GOALS, Life and Work Series"
- Added Table 2B "CASAS Appraisal and Locator Tests for ABE/ASE/ESL CASAS Math GOALS 2, ESL STEPS Series"



- PP. 18-19: Educational Functioning Levels
- Added language from Federal Register Notice: "The ESL educational functioning level descriptors to which the ESL tests with expiring NRS approvals are aligned will be retired on June 30, 2024."
- Updated Table 3A to include "CASAS Math Scale Score Ranges (Math GOALS 2)" column
- Updated Table 3B to contain "NRS Levels for ESL CASAS" with columns for Reading (Life and Work), Listening (Life and Work), Reading (STEPS), and Listening (STEPS)
- Created Table 3C to contain "NRS Levels for ESL BEST Plus 2.0"
- P. 20: Publisher Recommended Timeframes for Pre- and Post-testing Adult Education Assessments
- Updated Contact information for BEST Plus 2.0
- P. 25: CASAS Accommodations in Test Administration Procedures
- Added note that "As of August 2023, supplemental materials for test takers who
  have a visual impairment are in development for the new CASAS assessment
  series (Math GOALS 2 and STEPS)."
- PP. 26-27: Guidelines for Each Assessment
- CASAS
- Updated to note retiring NRS-approved assessments and add new NRS-approved assessments.
- Updated to reflect changes to narrative and tables throughout document.
- BEST Plus 2.0
- Updated to note sunsetting
- P. 34 Table 1. Providing Accommodations Using CASAS Assessment
- Added note that "As of August 2023, supplemental materials for test takers who
  have a visual impairment are in development for the new CASAS assessment
  series (Math GOALS 2 and STEPS)."