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GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pause Rule Reminder

Please review the pause rules for each test prior to administering tests in Spring 2019. Detailed information on the pause rules can be found in the [Oregon Test Administration Manual \(TAM\)](#) on the [OSAS Portal](#).

Please note: When students are testing on Chromebooks, TAs should make sure that they pause the test before closing the lid of the Chromebook. If the lid is closed before the test pauses, whoever opens the Chromebook next will be able to see the last question that the student was viewing (and any response they entered).

In the event of a technical issue (e.g. power outage or network failure), students will be logged out and the test will automatically be paused. The students will need to log in again upon resuming the test, and the pause rule for that test will apply.

Test Name	Pause Rule
Science	Answered items unavailable after paused for 20 minutes or more
Social Sciences	Answered items unavailable after paused for 20 minutes or more
ELA CAT	Answered items unavailable after paused for 20 minutes or more
Math CAT	Answered items unavailable after paused for 20 minutes or more
ELPA Summative	All items available after paused for 20 minutes or more
ELPA Screener	All items available after paused for 20 minutes or more
ELA PT	All items available after paused for 20 minutes or more
Math PT	All items available after paused for 20 minutes or more

Scheduled Maintenance Downtime Cancelled

The Online System downtime scheduled for Friday, January 11 at 5:00 p.m. PT through Sunday, January 13 at 7:00 p.m. PT has been cancelled as no maintenance is needed at this time. All Online Systems will remain available through the weekend.

PSAT Invoicing

There have been some changes to the overall invoicing process for PSAT (page 47 of the [PSAT/NMSQT Coordinators Manual](#)) as well as some changes for those participating in the ODE PSAT contract for sophomores. Here is the new process and timeline:

- **Starting December 3:** Schools can sign in to the test ordering site to review answer sheet counts, complete fee waiver rosters, and make grade-level adjustments.
- **January 11:** Deadline for identifying fee waiver-eligible students and making grade-level adjustments.
- **February - April 2019:** ODE data match process.
- **May 2019:** Final invoices will be mailed to schools for all PSAT/NMSQT test takers.

Do not mail payment until you receive the mailed invoice from The College Board.

Online Reporting System Webinars **REPEAT**

This is a reminder that ODE and AIR have scheduled two **optional** webinars focusing on how to use the newly-redesigned ORS:

- **Tuesday, January 22** from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m. PT
- **Thursday, January 24** from 3 p.m. to 4 p.m. PT

The same material will be covered in both trainings. While these webinars are open to any ORS user role, you must [register](#) in advance if you want to attend a webinar. After registering, you will receive a confirmation email with information about how to log into the webinar.

Please contact your [Regional ESD Partner](#) with questions.

Smarter Balanced Assessment Consortium Educator Opportunities 2019 **REPEAT**

This is a reminder that the Oregon Department of Education is recruiting qualified educators to support and represent the State of Oregon at the Smarter Balanced Assessment Consortium assessment activities for 2019. Interested candidates can apply by submitting the [online application form](#) to Smarter Balanced by **February 8, 2019**. For more information, please see the “Smarter Balanced Assessment Consortium Educator Opportunities 2019” article posted in the [January 3 A&A Update](#).

For questions, please contact Tony Bertrand, ELA Assessment Specialist at tony.bertrand@state.or.us or 503-947-5830.

TEST ADMINISTRATION

ELPA

Essential Skills for English Learners (EL) Parent Survey

On January 2, ODE distributed a parent survey to EL Coordinators across Oregon. This survey is optional and anonymous. For participating districts, ODE is asking that this survey be distributed to parents of EL students grades 9-12 for completion between January 7 and 28, with return of any paper surveys by February 8. If you are an EL Coordinator and you did not receive information about this survey, or if you have any questions, please contact ben.wolcott@state.or.us or 503-947-5835.

EXTENDED ASSESSMENT

Oregon Extended Assessment: Braille & Large Print Order Deadline

The deadline for districts to order Braille and/or Large Print versions of the Oregon Extended Assessments is this **Friday, January 11, 2019**. See the Statewide Alternate Assessment Webpage for additional information and the order form.

If you have questions, please contact Brad Lenhardt at Brad.Lenhardt@state.or.us or 503-947-5755.

SCIENCE

OSAS Science Test Window Opening Delayed

The OSAS Science Assessment will not be available for all students as previously planned and communicated for the January 8, 2019 test window. Our quality assurance reviews have uncovered some concerns with the online delivery platform that must be addressed prior to administration. Our goal is to release a product that meets quality measures for a valid and reliable assessment for all Oregon students.

- The OSAS Science Assessment window opening has been delayed and will open on **Wednesday, February 6, 2019**.
- The OSAS Braille Science Assessment will be available on **Friday, February 8, 2019**.
- The OSAS Spanish Science *Sample Test* will be available on **Thursday, January 31, 2019**.

We apologize for any inconvenience in this test window postponement.

For more information, please contact your [Regional ESD Partner](#).

SOCIAL SCIENCES

Assessment Educator Opportunity – Social Sciences Analysis Scoring Guide Pilot

The Oregon Department of Education is recruiting qualified educators to pilot draft versions of an updated Social Sciences Analysis Scoring Guide for the purpose of assessing student assignments, performance assessments, writing responses, reading analysis, etc. for the following grade bands: high school (9 – 12), middle school (6 – 8), elementary (3 – 5).

Educators will be asked to provide feedback on the revised Social Sciences Analysis Scoring Guide. Applicants will also be asked to provide multiple levels of student samples to serve as potential anchor papers for future use to support Oregon educators.

- Recruitment applications will be accepted until **February 8, 2019**. ODE will notify successful applicants of their inclusion in the project, along with information on next steps.
- Educators will receive compensation at the ODE rate of pay and receive up to 4 PDU credits for participation.
[Sign-up Here](#)

For further questions, please contact either: Tony Bertrand, Social Sciences Assessment Specialist, tony.bertrand@state.or.us or Amit Kobrowski, Social Sciences Standards and Instruction Specialist, amit.kobrowski@state.or.us.

ESSENTIAL SKILLS

AESRP Meeting on January 11, 2019 **REPEAT**

This is a reminder that the spring Assessment of Essential Skills Review Panel (AESRP) meeting will occur January 11, 2019, 9 a.m. – 10:30 a.m., via webinar. Please [register](#) to attend the meeting.

For more information, please see the article posted in the [December 13 A&A Update](#). If you have further questions or potential topics of discussion, contact Tony Bertrand at tony.bertrand@state.or.us or 503-947-5830.

ACCESSIBILITY & REPORTING

2018-19 Test Records Available and Webinar Training January 16

2018-2019 test records are available for editing in the Student Centered Staging application on the ODE district website beginning **January 10, 2019**. Accountability Warehouse Extract (AWE), and Secure Assessment Reports 2.0 (SAR) applications will have 2018-19 test records available to download beginning **January 17, 2019**. PLEASE NOTE that there is a one-day lag for changes to test records in Student Centered Staging (district edits or newly loaded records) to be available in the AWE and SAR applications.

Social Sciences records will typically be available in Student Centered Staging two days after the student completes a test. Scores for students who have completed the English Language Arts (ELA) and Mathematics assessments will be available in the ODE district website applications and in the Online Reporting System (ORS) beginning **April 2, 2019**. ELA and Math assessments are reported only after a student has completed both parts (Computer Adaptive Test and Performance Task) and all questions have been scored. It takes up to two weeks after a Performance Task is completed for all questions to be scored and for the two parts of the test to be combined and reported.

There will be a Video Training webinar on **Wednesday, January 16** at 2 PM. This webinar will focus on management of assessment data in Student Centered Staging (i.e., editing posted records; reviewing and correcting errors; applying administration codes) and accessing the test records in the AWE and SAR applications. If you do not have access to Student Centered Staging, AWE, or SAR applications, please contact your [district security administrator](#).

To participate in the webinar, go to the ODE district [Video Training 2018-2019 page](#). Contact your [Regional ESD Partner](#) for more information.

2018-19 Kindergarten Assessment Report Validation Closes January 18

The 2018-19 Kindergarten Assessment Validation window closes **Friday, January 18**. The preliminary Oregon Kindergarten Assessment results are available to review in the [Achievement Data Insight](#) (ADI) application through Friday, January 18. For more information, please see the article posted in the [January 3 AA Update](#).

If corrections to student demographic information or test administration codes are needed, please contact your [Regional ESD Partner](#) or Elyse Bean at elyse.bean@state.or.us or 503-947-5831.

Second Period Cumulative ADM Collection Closes January 11 **REPEAT**

The collection window for Second Period Cumulative ADM closes **Friday, January 11**. You can find information about the Second Period Cumulative ADM collection on the [ADM Resources Page](#) and in the [web training](#) from December 6.

Second Period Cumulative ADM will reopen on **Thursday, January 17 at 1:00 p.m.** for the audit review window. During the audit review window, the collection will be open to all to review audits and to make any needed corrections. If you have any questions, please contact your [Regional ESD Partners](#) or Amanda Leopard at amanda.leopard@state.or.us or 503-947-5674.