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GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

2019 - 2020 Oregon Summative Assessment Item Writing Development (ELA 3rd - HS & Math 6th - 8th) REPEAT

The Oregon Department of Education (ODE) is seeking educators interested in participating as item writers for the Oregon Summative Assessments in ELA and Mathematics. This commitment includes time for both onsite training and item review, as well as time for the independent development of items. Please complete the following <u>application</u> and submit by no later than **Thursday, February 6, 2020**. ODE will notify successful applicants for both ELA and math by Monday, February 10, 2020, of their inclusion in the project, along with information on the next steps.

For further information please refer to the complete <u>recruitment letter</u>, or contact <u>Tony Bertrand</u>, Language Arts Assessment Specialist, or <u>Andrew Byerley</u>, Mathematics Assessment Specialist.

2019 OSAS Science Score Reporting Update REPEAT

The January 16, 2020 State Board Meeting has been moved to **February 20, 2020** due to expected inclement weather. As a result, we will not be able to receive approval on OSAS Science cut scores and achievement level descriptors next week as we had anticipated. This will delay the release of 2019 OSAS Science Assessment Scores until possibly early March. We know that this is inconvenient and appreciate your patience.

Please address any specific questions you have about OSAS Science Reporting to <u>Noelle Gorbett</u>, Science Assessment Specialist, or <u>Dan</u> <u>Farley</u>, Director of Assessment.

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Cohort Graduation and Dropout District Webinar

A webinar will be held on **Tuesday, January 21 at 10:30 AM** for districts to view the Statewide cohort graduation and NCES dropout data, prior to the public release on **January 23**. District administrators should have already received the login information for this webinar. If you would like to participate and did not receive the login information, please contact <u>Beth Blumenstein</u> at 503-947-5767. The PowerPoint slides from this webinar will be posted on the <u>Cohort Graduation Rate website</u> along with the statewide data on Thursday, January 23 at 6 AM.

Second Period Cumulative Average Daily Membership (ADM) Audit Window Opens January 23 at 1PM

The audit window for Second Period Cumulative ADM opens on **January 23 at 1PM** for all districts to review their audits. Some audits will compare data to First Period Cumulative ADM, and there will only be a 1.5 day window (**between January 23 at 1PM and January 24 at 11:59 PM**) to make corrections to these kinds of audits in First Period. After that time, First Period Cumulative ADM cannot be reopened. Please ensure someone from your district is available to review Second Period Cumulative ADM audits during that time to make corrections if necessary. You can find a complete list of audits that may affect First Period Cumulative ADM data in the <u>Second Period Cumulative ADM Training</u> from December 5 at recording time approximately 5:40 or on slide 6 on the PowerPoint. If you have any questions, please contact your <u>Regional ESD Partners</u> or <u>Amanda Leopard</u> at 503-947-5674.

Staff Position Web Submission Error for Small FTE Amounts

The issue regarding Web Submissions producing inaccurate errors for FTE amounts less than 0.10 in the Staff Position collection has been resolved. The Staff Position collection closes on **January 27 at 11:59 PM**, so please submit your data before then. If you have any questions, please contact your <u>Regional ESD Partners</u> or <u>Ryan Clark</u> at 503-947-5632.

2019-20 Kindergarten Assessment Validation Window Closes January 17

The 2019-20 Kindergarten Assessment Validation, located in the <u>Achievement Data Insight (ADI</u>) application, will **close on Friday, January 17**. For more information, see the "Kindergarten Assessment Validation" article in the January 9 A&A Update <u>article</u>. For questions or if corrections to your data are needed, please contact your <u>Regional ESD Partner</u> or <u>Elyse Bean</u> at 503-947-5831.

Student Centered Staging Webinar Training January 16 REPEAT

There will be a video training webinar on **Thursday, 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 Accountability Warehouse Extract (AWE) and Secure Assessment Reports (SAR) applications. If you do not have access to Student Centered Staging, AWE, or SAR, please contact your <u>district security administrator</u>.

To participate in the webinar, go to the ODE district <u>Video Training 2019-2020 page</u>. Contact your <u>Regional ESD Partner</u> for more information.