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## GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

### OSAS Science Assessment Window Opening Soon

The OSAS Science Assessment window will open **February 6, 2019**.

If you have any questions, please contact Noelle Gorbett at [noelle.gorbett@state.or.us](mailto:noelle.gorbett@state.or.us) or 503-947-5928.

### Oregon Professional Development Opportunity: ELA and Mathematics Summative Assessment Scoring

The Oregon Department of Education (ODE) is seeking educators interested in participating in the scoring of ELA and mathematics test items for statewide summative assessments.

The initial training for this project will occur on **April 12, 2019**, at the Willamette Educational Service District. ODE will cover substitute and travel costs for the April 12 training day.

The training is primarily intended for individuals who would like to gain professional development and increased knowledge of hand-scored items and the rubrics used to score them. Applicants will need to apply for either ELA or mathematics scoring.

Following that training day, qualified raters must commit to scoring items remotely during their own off-contract time throughout spring. Applicants would be signed on as temporary employees with Measurement Incorporated and receive compensation at the standard ODE rate of \$26.04 per hour.

The deadline for submitting an [application](#) is **Friday, March 8, 2019** and ODE will notify successful applicants by March 18th along with information on next steps.

For additional information, please review the [Recruitment Notice](#) or contact Tony Bertrand, Language Arts Assessment Specialist at [tony.bertrand@state.or.us](mailto:tony.bertrand@state.or.us) or 503-947-5830.

### Upcoming System Downtime

This is a reminder of the upcoming system downtime for TIDE, TDS, and ORS. The all-system downtime is scheduled from **Friday, February 8 at 5:00 p.m. PT to Sunday, February 10 at 7:00 p.m. PT**. The full list of [Scheduled Downtimes](#) is available on the [OSAS Portal](#).

## 2018-19 Science Sample Test Now Available in Spanish

The Spanish translation of the updated Science Sample Test is now available on the [OSAS Portal](#). Sample tests can be accessed using a [supported web browser](#) or the OSAS Secure Browser. The Braille version of the Science Sample Test will be available on **February 6, 2019**.

If you have any questions, please contact Noelle Gorbett at [noelle.gorbett@state.or.us](mailto:noelle.gorbett@state.or.us) or 503-947-5928.

## TEST ADMINISTRATION

### EXTENDED ASSESSMENT

#### Extended Assessment: Administration Preparations

- Beginning February 1, 2019, district-authorized and qualified staff (i.e., Qualified Assessors, Qualified Trainers) will have access to create a roster of students who will participate in the Oregon Extended Assessment this 2018-19 school year. For additional guidance regarding this process, please review the information provided in the [Oregon Extended Assessment Test App User Guide](#) (p. 7) and on the [Oregon Extended Assessment Training and Proficiency website](#).
- Beginning February 7, 2019, district-authorized and qualified staff (i.e., Qualified Assessors, Qualified Trainers) will have access to the secure Oregon Extended Assessment materials in order to prepare for the opening of the administration and data entry window of the Oregon Extended Assessment on **February 14, 2019**.

For additional information, contact Brad Lenhardt at [Brad.Lenhardt@state.or.us](mailto:Brad.Lenhardt@state.or.us) or 503-947-5755 or the Oregon Extended Assessment HelpDesk at [orextended@k12test.com](mailto:orextended@k12test.com) or (800) 838-3163.

#### ESSA “1% Participation Requirement”: Reporting Deadline **REPEAT**

With the reauthorization of ESEA as the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA), the requirement changed for the alternate assessment based on alternate academic achievement standards (e.g., Oregon’s Extended Assessment): ESSA places a 1% cap on participation in the assessment. It further states that “local educational agencies (districts) exceeding the 1% cap shall submit information to the State educational agency justifying the need to exceed such cap.”

To learn more about this new requirement and submit your district’s justification form (**by 2/15/19**), please click the [ESSA “1% Participation Requirement”](#) under the Policies section of the [Statewide Alternate Assessment website](#).

For additional information and/or questions, contact Brad Lenhardt at [Brad.Lenhardt@state.or.us](mailto:Brad.Lenhardt@state.or.us) or 503-947-5755.

## ESSENTIAL SKILLS

#### Updated Essential Skills and Local Performance Assessment Manual **REPEAT**

The 2018-19 Essential Skills and Local Performance Assessment Manual has been updated to reflect changes and additional guidance in the following areas:

- Updated Table 4 adding General Education Diploma (GED) as an approved Mathematics assessment option for Essential Skills Requirements Category 2: Other Standardized Assessments (pp. 10-12).
- Corrected Table B1 Universal Tools: Sound Tools (p.35).
- Updated Appendix G: Recommendation for Essential Skills Other Standardized Assessment request form (pp.51-54).

The updated Manual is available on the [Essentials Skills webpage](#) under Essential Skills Resources. Please contact Tony Bertrand, [tony.bertrand@state.or.us](mailto:tony.bertrand@state.or.us) with questions.

## ACCOUNTABILITY & REPORTING

### Staff Position Collection Closed – Audit Review Window Opens February 7

The Staff Position Collection has closed, but will reopen on **Thursday, February 7, 2019 at 1:00 PM** for the Audit Review Window. The Collection will remain open until **Friday, February 15, 2019**. During the Audit Review Window, all Staff Position submitters should log in to review their audits. For more information, please see the [Staff Position Resources page](#), contact your [Regional ESD Partner](#), or Ryan Clark at [ryan.clark@state.or.us](mailto:ryan.clark@state.or.us) or 503-947-5632.

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