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TEST ADMINISTRATION

TIDE Test Group Permissions PowerPoint Training Available

As announced on August 4, this year in TIDE all 2019-2020 accounts will roll over in TIDE for 2020-2021. DTCs will no longer be required to add users back to the system, however, DTCs will now manage user permission for users in their district to administer tests by Test Group (ELPA Screener, Summative, and/or Interim tests) using a new feature in TIDE. Additionally, DTCs who wish to act as test administrators themselves need to request Test Group permission from their [Regional ESD Partner](#).

The PowerPoint training [Granting Permission to Administer Tests using Test Groups in TIDE](#), which explains how to use the Test Group feature, is now available on the [ODE Test Administrator](#) website as a sub-bullet under the Tide User Guide. Additionally, this PowerPoint is available on the [osasportal.org](#). Districts may contact their Regional ESD Partner or the [OSAS Help Desk](#) for more information.

ELPA

Unique Screening Guidance Clarification

ODE's [unique screening guidance](#) has been updated to clarify requirements for districts who begin the school year with distance learning. Language has also been added to clarify the interaction between this guidance and state health and safety requirements. Updated language is principally located under Parameters and in an added section under Special considerations.

Please contact [Ben Wolcott](#) with questions or concerns.

SCIENCE

2020-2021 Science Interim Assessments **REPEAT**

Science Interim Assessments are now available for purchase for the 2020-2021 school year. Purchases can be made by district, or for specific schools within a district. The Science Interim Assessments are aligned to the NGSS Science content standards and include the full array of accessibility resources used for the OSAS Science

Assessment, including TTS, Spanish translation, and Braille. For more information about the Science Interim Assessments, please refer to the [Science Interim Assessments Information Sheet](#).

The Science Interim Assessments are offered at \$4.95 per enrolled students in grades 5, 8, and 11. Students in grades 3 through high school are permitted to utilize the assessment bank as deemed appropriate by the school and educator.

Districts or schools interested in purchasing the Science Interim Assessments for 2020-2021, please contact [Margaux Nielsen](#) or [Noelle Gorbett](#) for additional information or questions.