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GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Scheduled Maintenance Downtime Cancelled

The Online System downtime scheduled for Friday, August 17 at 5:00 p.m. PT through Sunday, August 19 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.

TEST ADMINISTRATION

SOCIAL SCIENCES

ODE Social Sciences Analysis Revision and Performance Task Development Application

The Oregon Department of Education is recruiting qualified educators to develop Social Sciences Performance Tasks and make recommended revisions to the current Social Sciences Analysis Scoring Rubric to align with the newly adopted 2018-2019 Social Sciences Standards.

Applicants will also be required to field test developed performance task modules and assist in creating scoring guidelines and justifications in Spring 2019 (TBD based on selected applicant feedback).

[Recruitment applications](#) will be accepted until **September 7, 2018**. ODE will notify successful applicants by September 10, 2018 of their inclusion in the project, along with information on next steps. This project will occur October 24 - 26 and will include both a meeting in Salem, OR and possible remote work. If you have any questions, please contact Tony Bertrand at tony.bertrand@ode.state.or.us or 503-947-5830.

ESSENTIAL SKILLS

2018-19 Essential Skills Manual Now Available **REPEAT**

The 2018-19 Essential Skills and Local Performance Assessment Manual is now available. The 2018-19 Essential Skills and Local Performance Assessment Manual describes the requirements for Essential Skills assessment options, including requirements regarding development, administration, and scoring of assessments. The 2018-19 Essential Skills and Local Performance Assessment Manual contains updates and additional guidance. For more information, please see the "2018 – 19 Essential Skills Manual" article posted in the [August 2 A&A Update](#).

ACCOUNTABILITY & REPORTING

Last Day to Open 2017-18 Third Period Cumulative ADM August 24

The last day to open 2017-18 Third Period Cumulative ADM to make changes is **August 24, 2018**.

Please contact your [Regional ESD Partner](#) or Amanda Hiaasen at amanda.hiaasen@state.or.us or 503-947-5674 with questions or to have your Third Period Cumulative ADM collection reopened.

9th Grade On-Track Changes

Two changes have been implemented to the Freshman On-Track Collection and Validation:

- 1) Both the [Freshman On-Track Collection](#) and [Validation](#) have been renamed 9th Grade On Track.
- 2) Students meeting the criteria listed below have been removed from the validation so that districts will not be held accountable for them. ODE will be sending out secure spreadsheets to districts that have students removed, so they are aware of who has been removed and why. If you do not receive a spreadsheet, no students have been removed from your validation.

Criteria for removal: Student meets the criteria for full academic year within the resident district but has not been reported as on-track; and:

- Student has a confirmed transfer to another district;
- Student was reported as deceased or permanently incapacitated;
- Student was reported as transferring out of the state or country.

The 9th Grade On-Track validation has already closed, but the data are still being refreshed, so you can view this information in the [Achievement Data Insight \(ADI\) application](#) by clicking on the 'All' tab on the top right side of the screen.

For questions, please contact Beth Blumenstein at beth.blemenstein@state.or.us or 503-947-5767 or your [Regional ESD Partner](#).

REMINDER: Validations Closing on August 24, 2018

The following validations will close on August 24, and **no changes will be allowed beyond that date**. Make sure that you review your data thoroughly before that deadline, and contact the data owner using the "Ask A Question" feature if you have questions or need to make corrections. All of these validations are located in the [Achievement Data Insight \(ADI\) Application](#).

- Student Enrollment
- Not Chronically Absent (Regular Attenders)
- English Language Arts Student Performance
- Mathematics Student Performance
- Science Student Performance

These validations contain data that will appear on the school and district report cards, as well as other accountability reports. If you do not have access to ADI, or cannot see one of the tiles you should be reviewing, contact your [district security administrator](#) immediately. Permissions to these validations must be granted separately for each validation. Training on the use of the ADI, and on several of the validations, is available on the [Video Training - 2017-2018](#) webpage.

If you have questions, please contact your [Regional ESD Partner](#).

Student Centered Staging 2017-2018 and Third Period Cumulative ADM to Close for Final Report Processing

Student Centered Staging will be closed for editing 2017-2018 test records on **August 24 at 5 PM** for final report processing. Secure Assessment Reports for 2017-2018 will also be unavailable during this time.

Third Period Cumulative ADM will close on **August 24 at 11:59 PM** for final Report Card processing. **No changes will be allowed after this date.**

Secure Assessment Reports and Student Centered Staging 2017-2018 records will re-open by 9 AM on **Tuesday, August 28**. All subjects will be read-only (i.e., downloadable but not editable) at that time.

If you have questions, please contact your [Regional ESD Partner](#).

ARAC Recruitment Announcement **REPEAT**

This is a reminder that the Oregon Department of Education (ODE) is seeking applicants to fill three vacancies on the Accountability Reporting Advisory Committee (ARAC). For more information, please see the “ARAC Recruitment Announcement” article posted in the [July 26 A&A Update](#).

If you have any questions or issues completing the online application, please contact Surbhi Singh at surbhi.singh@state.or.us or 503-947-5905.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

Answers to Common Questions from the Field

QUESTION: I have a student who is identified as a student with disabilities. Can I exempt her from a measure of the Kindergarten Assessment?

ANSWER: No. There are no domain exemptions of the Kindergarten Assessment. Please refer to the [Oregon Accessibility Manual for the Kindergarten Assessment](#) for guidance around approved supports.