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## GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

### High School Test Scheduling Flexibility

In response to stakeholder feedback gathered in the spring of 2018 surrounding our high school summative accountability assessments, the Oregon Department of Education (ODE) has removed the requirement that schools wait until at least 66% of the school year's instructional days have passed before administering the statewide high school summative math and ELA tests to 11<sup>th</sup> graders. New for 2018-19, schools may schedule administration of the statewide high school summative tests throughout the duration of the statewide test window, which opens on January 8, 2019. ODE first communicated this policy change in [Executive Numbered Memo 001-2018-19](#) on July 11, 2018, and ODE will also reflect this change in the final 2018-19 Test Administration Manual when it is published on **October 1, 2018**. ODE will study the impact of allowing this additional test scheduling flexibility at the end of the school year in order to determine what additional flexibility might be appropriate to address stakeholder needs in future years.

Please contact Dan Farley, Director of Assessment, if you have any questions about this policy change at [dan.farley@ode.state.or.us](mailto:dan.farley@ode.state.or.us) or 503-947-5721.

### 2018-19 Oregon Accessibility Manual

The Oregon Department of Education (ODE) strives to provide every student with a positive and productive assessment experience, generating results that are a fair and accurate estimate of each student's achievement. In the process of developing its next-generation assessments to measure students' knowledge and skills as they progress toward college and career readiness, ODE recognizes that the validity of assessment results depends on each and every student having appropriate accessibility supports (formerly "accommodations") when needed based on the constructs being measured by the particular statewide assessment. To that end, please consult the Oregon Accessibility Manual as well as the related resources and links posted on the [Test Administration Resources](#) webpage.

For additional information, please contact Brad Lenhardt at [brad.lenhardt@state.or.us](mailto:brad.lenhardt@state.or.us) or 503-947-5755.

## TEST ADMINISTRATION

### SOCIAL SCIENCES

#### ODE Social Sciences Analysis Revision and Performance Task Development Application

##### REPEAT

This is a reminder that 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. [Recruitment applications](#) will be accepted until **September 7, 2018**. For more information, please see the “ODE Social Sciences Analysis Revision and Performance Task Development Application” article posted in the [August 16 A&A Update](#).

If you have any questions, please contact Tony Bertrand at [tony.bertrand@ode.state.or.us](mailto:tony.bertrand@ode.state.or.us) or 503-947-5830.

## ACCOUNTABILITY & REPORTING

### Kindergarten Assessment Data Collection Training

ODE will provide a [web training](#) on **Thursday, August 23 at 2:00 p.m.** for the 2018-19 Kindergarten Assessment Data collection. This training will cover the data submission process for the Kindergarten Assessment consolidated collections (Approaches to Learning, Early Literacy, and Early Math).

A repeat of the same training will be held on **September 20**. If you have any questions, please contact your [Regional ESD Partner](#) or Elyse Bean at [elyse.bean@state.or.us](mailto:elyse.bean@state.or.us) or 503-947-5831.

### School and District Report Card Appeals Due to ODE on September 12, 2018

The Oregon Department of Education (ODE) will consider appeals regarding accountability data displayed on the 2017-18 school and district report cards. The deadline for appeals due to ODE has been extended to **Wednesday, September 12, 2018 at 5 PM**. More information about submitting appeals is available on the [Report Card Policy](#) webpage.

**Reminder:** The 2017-18 Preliminary Report Card Accountability Details reports and new At-A-Glance reports are available in the [Achievement Data Insight](#) (ADI) application for district preview.

### REMINDER: Validations Closing on August 24, 2018 REPEAT

Several validations will be closing 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](#). For more information, please see the article “REMINDER: Validations Closing on August 24, 2018” in the [August 16 A&A Update](#).

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

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. For more information, please see the article “Student Centered Staging 2017-2018 and Third Period Cumulative ADM to Close for Final Report Processing” in the [August 16 A&A Update](#).

## 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](mailto:surbhi.singh@state.or.us) or 503-947-5905.

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

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](mailto:amanda.hiaasen@state.or.us) or 503-947-5674 with questions or to have your Third Period Cumulative ADM collection reopened.

## QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

### Answers to Common Questions from the Field

**QUESTION:** If a student takes the ELPA screener, does that student still have to take the ELPA summative test?

**ANSWER:** Yes. The ELPA screener serves to identify which students may be eligible for ELD services. The ELPA summative helps determine which students are ready to exit an ELD program. These are two different tests that serve two different purposes.