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GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Oregon Accessibility Manual Update

As shared during the District Testing Coordinators Meeting on August 26, 2020, the Oregon Accessibility Manual (OAM) will be made available on **Tuesday, September 15, 2020**. The OAM will be posted on the [Oregon Test Administration webpage](#) under the Administration Manual expandable tab.

The OAM applies to both the Oregon Interim Assessments and the Oregon Summative Assessments. Please refer to the OAM for additional guidance or specifics on universal, designated, and accommodation supports available. For additional questions, please contact the [ODE Assessment team](#).

Assessment Training Materials Page Updates for 2020-21

The [Assessment Training Materials Page](#) now indicates which modules have been updated for 2020-21. Updated materials can be found under the 2020-21 heading in the Training Modules pulldown. Materials still in need of updating can be found under the 2019-20 heading in the same pulldown.

Note that all required modules for administering the ELPA Screener and ELA/Math/Science Interims are up to date and ready for use.

Please contact the [ODE Assessment team](#) with questions or concerns.

TEST ADMINISTRATION

INTERIM ASSESSMENTS

Overview of the Interim Assessment System Webinar Session

As part of the Oregon Statewide Summative Assessment: Interim Assessment Series, ODE will host its Overview of the Interim Assessment System webinar session on **Friday, September 11, 2020, from 8:00 - 9:00 a.m.**

In Session 2 - Overview of the Interim Assessment System: Participants will gain insight into the different interim assessment systems available for the 2020-21 instructional year, the different

types of interim assessments available and their uses, and finally make connections between the Oregon Interim Assessments and the Oregon State Standards.

In addition to the September 11, 2020 date, ODE will host 3 additional sessions throughout the next several months. To view specific dates and register for upcoming sessions, refer to the [ODE Interim Assessment Series Informational Flyer](#). Participants can directly [register](#) for Session 2 and will receive one PDU from ODE after the session has been completed.

Understanding a Balanced Assessment System Webinar Session (Final Virtual Event)

As part of the Oregon Statewide Summative Assessment: Interim Assessment Series, ODE will host its final virtual Understanding a Balanced Assessment System webinar session on **Monday, September 14, 2020, from 3:00 - 4:00 p.m.**

In Session 1 - Understanding a Balanced Assessment System: Participants will build assessment literacy to improve instructional practices by connecting formative assessment practices, interim assessments, and summative assessments to continually improve access and outcomes for each and every learner in their care.

Participants can [register](#) directly and will receive one PDU from ODE after the session has been completed.

Oregon Statewide Interim Assessment System “Go Live” Date

The Oregon Statewide Interim Assessment System is going “live” on **Tuesday, September, 15, 2020**. The interim assessments allow teachers to check student progress throughout the year, so educators can use the results to inform instruction and help students meet the challenge of college-and career-ready standards. ODE has provided statewide access to the ELA and mathematics interim assessments. ODE has also developed a Science Interim Assessment System, which is available for districts and schools to purchase. For additional information about the science interims, please refer to the [Science Interim Assessments Information Sheet](#). The interim assessments are available in grades 3–8 and high school and can be administered at multiple points throughout the school year.

As a reminder, educators must complete the required training requirements before a District Testing Coordinator or School Testing Coordinator providing access to the system, please refer to the training requirements included in [Training Module 8 – Interims: Remote Administration and Test Security](#).

Additional information and support resources are available on the [Oregon Interim Assessments webpage](#). ODE is also hosting numerous educator webinar sessions to supports Oregon educators in building background about the interim assessments and implementation support. Educators can refer to the [ODE Interim Assessment Series Informational Flyer](#) to register for upcoming sessions. For additional questions please contact [Andy Byerley](#), Math Assessment Specialist, [Noelle Gorbett](#), Science Assessment Specialist, or [Tony Bertrand](#), ELA and Social Sciences Assessment Specialist.

Assessment Training Module 8 - Interim Assessments REPEAT

The ODE Assessment team has posted a new Training Module which is specific to the Oregon Interim Assessment System. Training Module 8 - Interim Assessments will be **required for all educators to complete** before their District Testing Coordinator (DTC) providing user role access to the Interim Assessment System.

This training module will include a brief introduction to the Interim Assessment System, interim assessment test security, and interim assessment administration for in-person or remote environments. Please refer to the

[Test Administration: Training Materials webpage](#) for additional training modules currently available for the 2020-21 instructional year.

ODE's Fall Calendar for the Interim Assessment Webinar Series REPEAT

The Oregon Department of Education will offer multiple sessions for educators to build their knowledge of the Interim Assessment System. To view specific dates and register for upcoming sessions, refer to the [ODE Interim Assessment Series Informational Flyer](#).

After completing each session, ODE will provide educators with PDUs for their participation. For additional information, please refer to the [Oregon Statewide Summative Assessment: Interim Assessment Series PowerPoint](#) or contact [Tony Bertrand](#), ELA Assessment Specialist.

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.

ACCOUNTABILITY & REPORTING

2019-20 Adapted At-A-Glance School and District Profiles

On [May 28, 2020 ODE announced](#) the suspension of the 2019-20 At-A-Glance School and District Profiles and the suspension of the At-A-Glance validation in the Achievement Data Insight (ADI) application. Because the [suspension of statewide assessments and ODE data collections](#) impacted the data available for publication, the At-A-Glance profiles had to be *adapted* in order to meet state and federal reporting requirements that were not covered under the [waiver](#) from the U.S. Department of Education.

The goal of the Adapted At-A-Glance Profiles remains the same as the profiles published in previous years, which is to provide an overview of a school or district to parents and families in a format that is easy to read and understand.

Schools and districts will have the ability to preview their Adapted At-A-Glance profiles prior to the public release by requesting an embargoed copy. Unlike in previous years, previews will not be available in the ADI application. We anticipate previews of the Adapted At-A-Glance Profiles to be available upon request at the end of September.

The Adapted At-A-Glance School and District Profiles are scheduled for publication in both English and Spanish on **October 15, 2020**. The published Adapted At-A-Glance profiles will be available to [download on ODE's website](#).

For questions, please contact [Elyse Bean](#) or [Jon Wiens](#).