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GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Teaching, Learning, and Assessment Tools For Addressing Students' Unfinished Learning

The Oregon Department of Education would like to remind educators of the numerous tools available across the State of Oregon. As businesses and non-profits promote their learning tools to your schools, please remember that high quality, ODE-endorsed free tools are already available for your students and educators. We've collected many of them into this [infographic flyer](#) to help districts and schools.

- [Tools for Teachers](#)
- [Oregon Open Learning](#)
- [Oregon's Interim Assessment System](#)
- [Oregon's Balance Assessment Training Series](#)

If you'd like more information, please contact [Andrew Byerley](#), Mathematics Assessment Specialist, [Noelle Gorbett](#), Science Assessment Specialist, or [Tony Bertrand](#), ELA Assessment Specialist.

TEST ADMINISTRATION

ELPA

Manual Play of Embedded Audio Required for Some ELPA Speaking Items **REPEAT**

Due to coding changes for some speaking task groups on the English Language Proficiency Assessment (ELPA) Screener and Summative, there are a few items where the embedded audio does not play automatically when the task first appears on screen. The embedded audio for these items needs to be played manually by the student (or Test Administrator, if the student requires technology assistance), by pressing the "play" button.

The coding changes referred to above relate to "behind the scenes" item associations and have no student- or TA-facing impacts. They do not involve any content or scoring changes.

ELPA21 is working to restore auto-play functionality for affected items in future years. Please contact [Ben Wolcott](#) with questions or concerns.

ACCOUNTABILITY & REPORTING

Score Reporting Categories for 2021-22

Changes to Oregon's summative assessment blueprints in [English language arts](#) and [Mathematics](#) allow all claims to be reported accurately at an aggregated level, but not at the individual student level. As a result, only the following claims will be included as Score Reporting Categories (SRCs) in 2021-22. All other claims will be suppressed at the student level from both Individual Student Reports (ISRs) and Score Reporting Categories (SRCs) in data files.

- ELA: Reading (Claim 1) and Writing (Claim 2)
- Math: Concepts and Procedures (Claim 1)

You can find the full list of current SRCs for each subject in the [Score Reporting Category \(SRC\) Labels by Subject](#) spreadsheet available on the [Assessment Results](#) webpage. That file is also referenced in the [Assessment Reporting File Format](#) document (for downloading from the Accountability Warehouse Extract application) on the [Consolidated Collections File Layouts](#) page on the ODE District website (under *Application Systems*).

Contact [Cindy Barrick](#) with questions or for more information.

Staff Position Collection: December 9, 2021 - January 24, 2022

The Staff Position Collection collects data for all school/district staff employed for at least 20 consecutive workdays on December 1, 2021. Materials for this collection are available online at the [Staff Position Resources](#) page and the [Staff Position Schedule of Due Dates](#) page.

A web training was held on Wednesday, December 1, 2021, and will be available to watch on demand on [ODE's Video Training](#) page shortly thereafter. For additional information regarding this collection, please contact your [Regional ESD Partner](#) or [Ryan Clark](#) or 503-947-5632.