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GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

We will pause our A&A Update for the next two weeks in honor of the holidays and release our next edition on January 11. Enjoy your Winter Break!

District Assessment Inventory January Office Hours

ODE has scheduled "office hours" for the District Assessment Inventory (DAI) in January. District personnel may join DAI office hours to ask questions or receive technical assistance regarding the District Assessment Inventory. There is no need to register for DAI office hours; attendees may join or leave at any time using this
Zoom link. DAI office hours are scheduled for the following dates:

- Friday, January 12, 10-11:00 PT
- Friday, January 19, 10-11:00 PT
- Friday, January 26, 10-11:00 PT

Districts who do not have a District Assessment Inventory Form need to <u>designate a point of contact</u>. Only the District Test Coordinator for a given district should designate a DAI point of contact.

As a reminder, the District Assessment Inventory must be completed by **5:00 p.m. January 26, 2024**.

Please contact the ODE DAI Team with questions.

LIVE Braille DEI Webinar

ODE, in collaboration with Cambium Assessment Inc., will be presenting the LIVE Braille DEI webinar from 9:00-10:00 AM on **Wednesday, January 10, 2024**. To register, use this Zoom link. This will give you the option to add the appointment to your calendar.

Please contact Crys Plattner with questions or comments.

DTC Webinar Series

ODE presents the monthly DTC Webinar on **Wednesday**, **January 10**, **2024** from 10:00-11:00 AM. To attend, please register for each webinar using <u>this Zoom link</u>. This will give you the option to add the appointment to your calendar.

If you have any questions you'd like answered during the webinar's Q&A session, please submit through <u>this Smartsheet form</u> or contact <u>Crys Plattner</u>, Assessment Administrative Support.

TEST ADMINISTRATION

ELPA

Alt ELPA Score Reporting and Exiting Update

Individual Student Reports (ISRs) for the Alternate English Language Proficiency Assessment (Alt ELPA) were delivered to districts during the first two weeks of December. The scores reported in these ISRs may be used to make exiting decisions for students who participated in the 2022-23 Alt ELPA Summative test.

To support conversations regarding exiting and score interpretation, the <u>English Language Proficiency Assessment page</u> has been updated with <u>Alt ELPA Proficiency Descriptors</u>, to be used in tandem with the previously published <u>Alt ELPA Performance Standards (cut scores)</u> and <u>Alt ELPA Performance Level Descriptors</u>. All three resources can be found in the Alt ELPA Assessment accordion.

Any decision to exit a student who participated in the Alt ELPA from EL status needs to be based on official ODE score reports (distributed to District Test Coordinators by your <u>Regional ESD Partner</u>). This exit needs to take place by **December 29, 2023**. Such exits should be reported in the EL Data Collection with an exit date in the 2023-24 school year, using code 1-E (if participating in the EL program) or 4-O (if services are waived).

Please contact the ODE Assessment Team with questions or concerns regarding assessment.

Please contact your <u>Regional ESD Partner</u> with questions regarding score reports.

Please contact <u>Kim Miller</u> and <u>Tiffany Palaniuk</u> with questions or concerns regarding Title III or reporting students in the EL Data Collection.

Future K and Grade K Screener Windows in January 2024

The Future K and Grade K window will vary slightly from that described in <u>2023 Future K and Grade K Screener</u> Updates.

- The Future K Screener remains open through January 8, 2024.
- The Grade K Screener opens January 9, 2024 (along with the ELPA Summative).
- There are no other changes to Screener windows at this time.

Students testing at the Kindergarten level should use the form that is open at the time of testing (i.e., on or prior to 1/8/24, use the Future K form. On or after 1/9/24, use the Grade K form). Only one Screener form will be open at a time during this transition, so it should not be possible to select the wrong form.

These changes were necessitated as part of the cut score adjustments described in <u>2023 Future K and Grade K Screener Updates</u>. This document will be updated in the new year with further information about ODE action regarding the ELPA Screener.

Please contact Ben Wolcott, ELPA Specialist, with questions or concerns regarding ELPA testing.