

## DTC Webinar Q&A – {May 14, 2025}

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### ELPA

1. Are Oregon districts required to retain records from other states regarding English learner (EL) status?
  - a. Any information that is added to a student's cumulative file becomes an educational record and is subject to the same rules that govern storage and security of educational records.

### Math

2. In the "2+1" mathematics course sequencing model, would it make sense to move the testing year to 10th grade?
  - a. At this time, Oregon does not intend to change its year of accountability (grade 11). While there are advantages and disadvantages to any year of accountability, maintaining a grade 11 test allows the maximum number of students in a district to complete their "core 2" years of HS math instruction and gain additional experience in applying their math knowledge in the "plus 1" course. The "challenge up" process outlined in the Test Administration Manual (TAM) can allow some students to test in grade 10. Learn more about the "2+1" course model in the [2021 Oregon K-12 Math Standards](#) and, specifically, the [High School Math Pathways Communication Toolkit](#).

### ODE Reporting (AWE)

3. How can district personnel get access to the Assessment Records Updating Application (ARUA)?
  - a. Contact your [District Security Administrator](#) (DSA) and request rights to Assessment Test Staging/ARUA.

## OSAS Platform (TIDE, CRS)

4. Under what conditions is a district required to test a currently enrolled grade 12 student who did not test in grade 11?
  - a. Per the [Test Administration Manual](#) Section 5.3, districts need to test students who "skipped" grade 11 by either proceeding directly to grade 12 or remaining in grade 10. Students who had a grade 11 year are considered to have had a chance to test; if they miss that opportunity, the district does not need to ensure they test the following year.
5. How long are students retained in the Test Information Distribution Engine (TIDE)? We see students in TIDE who do not appear in our student information system, or who left our district years ago.
  - a. Students will stay in TIDE until the system closes for year-end processing at the end of July. When TIDE opens back up, all students will be cleared out. Contact your [Regional ESD Partner](#) for further information or assistance.
6. Would ODE consider, in the future, letting District Test Coordinators (DTCs) or District Level Users (DLUs) reopen expired tests in TIDE?
  - a. TIDE permissions that allow modification of student test records are "bundled", meaning that if access is granted to one feature, it usually grants access to several other features as well. The system cannot currently grant a user the isolated ability to reopen expired tests.
7. When entering opt-outs in TIDE, how do I make sure they are also reflected in ARUA?
  - a. Block the relevant test and check the opt-out flag in TIDE. This information will automatically load into ARUA.
8. Are there any plans to update School Test Coordinator (STC) user permissions so they can record Parent Opt Outs or Exemptions?
  - a. We are looking into this. In the meantime, your [Regional ESD Partner](#) has the ability to upload the opt-out/exemptions in TIDE.

## Other

9. Can superintendents be designated as an ODE "information only" contact?
  - a. Yes.

## Test Impropriety

10. How can I check the status of, or provide additional information about, a previously submitted impropriety report?
  - a. Contact [ODE Test Security](#).

## Helpful Links:

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- [AA Update](#) page, with archives and subscription link
- [DTC Roadmap](#)
- [Interim Assessment](#) resources and training materials
- [Nationally-Normed College Entrance Practice Test](#) page
- ODE's Equitable Grading Practices [webpage](#) and [email](#)
- [OSAS Portal](#) (includes testing schedule)
- [SEED Survey](#)
- [Test Administration](#) page (Oregon Accessibility Manual and Test Administration Manual)
- [Test Administration Resources](#) page (Accessibility Supports, RARP, DTC Webinar Resources)