

ELPA Screener Webinar FAQ

5/25-26/22 Sessions

General

- 1. Where can I find translated test directions for the ELPA Screener?**
 - a. Look on the [state portal](#), using the Resources tab. Resources are searchable, so a search phrase such as “[translated screener](#)” can quickly help you find the directions you are looking for.
- 2. With the new Language Use Survey be required for students enrolling on or after January 1, 2023?**
 - a. Yes. Please look for communications from the Multilingual and Migrant Education team for official information regarding development and deployment of the Oregon Language Use Survey.

Alt-ELPA

- 3. Will there be an Alt-ELPA Screener in addition to the Alt-ELPA Summative?**
 - a. Not for several years at least. It seems reasonable to assume that an accompanying Screener will eventually be developed, but no such project has yet been announced.
- 4. If there is no Alt-ELPA Screener, how do you identify students with the most significant cognitive disabilities as qualifying for EL status?**
 - a. Use the current ELPA Screener, with the most appropriate accommodations and supports available.
- 5. Will there be specific guidance for identifying which students are eligible to participate in the Alt-ELPA?**
 - a. Yes. This guidance will include a decision tree.
- 6. If a student is not screened due to use of the “2J” code, does that student qualify for the Alt-ELPA?**
 - a. The “2J” code is used to delay screening for students while the district arranges for appropriate supports, develops a deeper understanding of the student’s disability profile, or similar. Use of the 2J code does not automatically qualify a student for participation in the Alt-ELPA, for two reasons:
 - i. A student who has not been screened does not have EL status and therefore does not participate in any ELPA testing, Alt or general.
 - ii. The Alt-ELPA is for students with the most significant cognitive disabilities. Use of the 2J code does not necessarily signal that such a disability is present.
- 7. Will communication regarding the Alt-ELPA also go out through Special Education communication channels?**
 - a. Yes.

Future K

- 8. Will the Future K test window remain March 1 through December 31 in future years?**
 - a. Yes.
- 9. Are Reading and Writing required domains on the Future K Screener?**

- a. Yes. The proficiency threshold for Reading and Writing used to differ from the threshold for Speaking and Listening, but all four domains have always been required on the Future K Screener.