Assessment News

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Top News This Week

1. TIDE Webinar

The Assessment Section will present a webinar on the Test Information Distribution Engine (TIDE) on ***Thursday, February 16, 2017, at 2:30 p.m.*** Please click here for more information, and to join the webinar. For those test coordinators who are not able to attend the live webinar, a recording will be posted in the Trainings and Webinars section of alohahsap.org when it is available.

HSA-Alt

2. HSA-Alt Materials

Materials for the HSA-Alt Online administration will begin to arrive in schools beginning *February 15, 2017.* Test coordinators should inform the school business office or person(s) receiving shipments to watch for the arrival of materials and store in a secure place.

3. HSA-Alt Test Window

The HSA-Alt Operational testing window for both online and paper/pencil testing administrations opens on *February 22, 2017.* Test coordinators should verify that test administrators have completed the Online TA Certification Course prior to the start of testing.

4. HSA-Alt Resources

The Spring 2017 Guide to Navigating the Online HSA-Alt Administration and the Spring 2017 Data Entry Interface User Guide have been posted to the Resources section of the HSA-Alt portal website. Test coordinators may access the manuals by clicking on the links above, or via the Resources >> Test Coordinators / Test Administrators >> Test Administration >> Online Administration folder (for the Guide to Navigating) or the Resources >> Test Coordinators / Test Administrators >> Test Administration >> Paper-Pencil Administration folder (for the Data Entry Interface User Guide).

The ACT

5. The ACT Proctor and Room Supervisor Training

The window for test coordinators to conduct proctor and room supervisor training sessions is from *February 13 - February 27, 2017.* Materials, Manuals, and Supplements for both paper and online administrations, as well as the Test Administration Training videos, may be found in the Manuals and Supplements section of The ACT: Hawaii website.

6. The ACT Online Pre-test Information

The window for examinees testing online to complete pre-test information and for schools to share pretest information with all examinees testing online is from *February 13 - March 20, 2017.*

7. The ACT Question and Answer Session

On *Thursday, February 16, 2017* from *2:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.,* The ACT will host a Question & Answer session for the Hawaii Test Administration. Click this link to register.

8. The ACT Materials Tracking

To track the *initial* shipment of testing materials, test coordinators should follow these steps:

1. Log into your PearsonAccess^{next} account at https://testadmin.act.org
2. Select the **Setup** icon on the main screen.
3. Select the **Orders & Shipment Tracking** option. A list of shipments and orders appears.
4. Select the information icon to the left of the row of a particular item to view details about that item.
5. Select the **Shipment** tab to view shipment information for the item, including an external link to information from the shipping vendor.

The ACT Aspire

9. The ACT Aspire Test Administration

The ACT Aspire should be administered to *all* students in a grade level. The Writing test is optional for a school; however, all other domains are to be administered to all students in the grade level.

ACCESS for ELLs Online

10. ACCESS for ELLs Online Material Return Date

The test window for the ACCESS for ELLs 2.0 Online assessment will close on *February 28, 2017.* All

materials must be shipped to DRC by *March 3, 2017.* Test coordinators that have completed testing should return their materials when testing is completed instead of delaying shipping until the week of February 27 to allow adequate time for shipping. Failure to return materials by the due date may result in a delay of processing scores for the state. All other secure materials that are not being returned to DRC (scratch paper, test tickets) *must be collected back and securely destroyed* (shredded).

Please contact the Assessment Section at (808) 733-4100 if you have any questions about the information included in this Assessment News.

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