



# Assessment News

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## Top News This Week

## General Information

### 1. Reasons for Non-Participation and Discrepant Records System

There may be circumstances in which a student did not participate in an expected test (e.g., student refusal) or participated in a test inappropriately (e.g., student inadvertently takes an incorrect test). These and other applicable circumstances should be documented in TIDE under the "Data Management" drop down menu. For more information, refer to the [HSAP TIDE User Guide 2018-2019](#) and the [TIDE: During and After Administration Webinar \(March 14, 2019\)](#).

## Smarter Balanced

### 2. Online Reporting System (ORS) Webinar

The Online Reporting System (ORS) webinar will provide an overview of this reporting system, including online narrated tutorials and other resources available to assist school personnel with creating student rosters, downloading and printing student reports, and understanding report features. The webinar is scheduled for *Thursday, April 18, 2019* from 2:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. The webinar link will be provided under [Important Dates](#) on the Smarter Balanced homepage.

### 3. Accommodated Testing

Test coordinators should verify with the school Student Service Coordinator (SSC) and/or the Special Education Department Chair that accommodations have been updated in the electronic Comprehensive Student Support System (eCSSS), and verify that accommodations are set in TIDE prior to the student beginning the assessment. Test coordinators should also inform the test administrator(s) which students in the session require accommodations prior to the start of testing. If a student is administered an assessment without the appropriate accommodation(s) verified by the Assessment Section, the test coordinator should submit a [Testing Incident Report Form](#). For more information about accommodated testing, refer to the [Smarter Balanced TAM 2018-2019](#) or the [HSA-Alt TAM 2018-2019](#).

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## **4. AIR Ways Reporting System User Guide, School Year 2018-2019**

The [AIRWays Reporting System User Guide 2018-2019](#) supports users of the AIRWays Reporting System. AIRWays is a component of the Smarter Balanced Interim Assessments that allows authorized users to view and score individual student responses on both the Interim Comprehensive Assessments and the Interim Assessment Blocks. Some Assessment Reports in AIRWays Reporting include supplementary information that can be accessed by clicking on the "additional report information" icon within the upper-left corner of the report table. For more information on accessing the "additional report information," refer to page 42 of the document.

### **HSA-Alt**

## **5. HSA-Alt Paper-Pencil Test Kit Accommodation Forms**

The last day to submit the HSA-Alt Paper-Pencil Test Kit Accommodation Form(s) is *Friday, April 26, 2019*.

### **HSA Science**

## **6. HSA Science Testing Window (Paper/Pencil Form)**

The HSA Science Testing Window for the paper and pencil form opens on *Monday, April 8, 2019*.

### **EOC**

## **7. Hawaii End-of-Course (EOC) Testing Window (Online and Paper-Pencil)**

The testing window for the EOC Online and Paper-Pencil forms opens on *Monday, April 29, 2019*.

### **ACT**

## **8. School Satisfaction Surveys**

On March 26, 2019, the ACT sent out an email survey to all ACT test coordinators requesting feedback regarding this year's testing administration. Please provide input at your earliest convenience, so that the ACT will have adequate time to review and consider recommendations before planning for next year's administration.

## **9. PreACT Student Results**

Student results on a DVD, along with score reports were sent to schools via FedEx. Instructions on how to access these results are included with this shipment. Test coordinators should store this DVD in a secure location.

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## WIDA ACCESS and Alternate ACCESS for ELLs

### 10. Central Office Services-Service Device Transition

WIDA and DRC will be transitioning to a new testing system called *Central Office Services-Service Device (COS-SD)* for ACCESS for ELLs Online and WIDA Screener Online administrations. To help states and districts prepare for these upcoming changes, WIDA and DRC will be hosting a series of webinars geared to technology coordinators on the following dates: 1) *Monday, April 8 at 5:00 a.m. HST*, 2) *Wednesday, June 12 at 5:00 a.m. HST*, and 3) *Thursday, August 1 at 5:00 a.m. HST*. Login information is located on the [WIDA Q&A Webinars 2018-2019 for Technology Coordinators Schedule](#). These webinars will be recorded and added to the Webinar recordings page on the WIDA Secure Portal. Please contact *DRC Customer Support* with any questions at [WIDA@DataRecognitionCorp.com](mailto:WIDA@DataRecognitionCorp.com) or 1-855-787-9615. NOTE: Transition for all states to the COS-SD will start on **May 15, 2019**. COS-SD will be available in WIDA AMS for download as well as all supporting documentation (Technology User Guide, System Specifications, etc.). TSM will no longer be available after **June 27, 2019** in WIDA AMS. TSM will not be supported after **August 15, 2019**.

## Technology Coordinators

### 11. Central Office Services-Service Device Transition

Please see item #10 under *WIDA ACCESS and Alternate ACCESS for ELLs*.

**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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