

Attention Public School Principals, Public Charter School Directors, VPs (involved with testing), Test Coordinators, Technology Coordinators, Student Services Coordinators, and Curriculum Coordinators

(This message is also being sent to Complex Area Superintendents, Complex Area Support Team Leaders, and Information Technology Managers.)

Assessment News

Tuesday, August 4, 2020

Top News This Week

General Information

1. SY 2020-21 Training

Training sessions for statewide assessments in the 2020-21 school year will be primarily conducted via webinar until further notice. Test coordinators should update or verify their contact information in the [School Contact](#) list to ensure that they receive notification of upcoming training sessions.

KĀ‘EO

2. Ka Papa Manawa no ka HSAP ma ka Makahiki Kula 2020-21

Waiho ‘ia ka palapala, ‘o Ka Papahana Loiloi o ke Aupuni Makahiki Kula 2020-21, i puka ma ka lā 2 o Iune, 2020, ma ka paena pūnaewele alohahsap.org ma ka mahele Resources. E ‘olu‘olu, e ‘imi i ia palapala no ka wā hō‘ike no nā loiloi o ke aupuni.

The ACT

3. ACT Online Reporting System Login Information

The ACT sent out emails and physical letters (via USPS) to ACT test coordinators with login information to the new ACT Online Reporting System during the week of June 8, 2020. Test coordinators will need *both* the email from ACT, and the physical letter (mailed to the school) to access the new Online Reporting System.

4. Online Reporting System Training Video

An ACT Online Reporting Training video is available on the [ACT Hawaii](#) website under Section 7, (Interpretation). Test coordinators should fill out the registration page, click on the “Register” button, and a video will begin playing. The video will be approximately 20 minutes long.

5. ACT Spring 2020 School Reports

School ACT State testing reports are available for viewing and download in PearsonAccess^{next}. Reports are only available for a limited time, and will be removed on **October 6, 2020**. Test coordinators should download and save the files in a secure location.

6. ACT Fall 2020 Email Communications

The ACT sent out two email blasts to ACT test coordinators on Monday, August 3 with important dates and instructions (with links) to complete the Manage Participation tasks in PANext, and requesting accommodations in TAA. If you haven't received these emails, please check your junk mail folders. If there are more than one test coordinator at a school, the ACT will only send these emails to one test coordinator so please check with your co-coordinator.

HSA Science (NGSS)

7. HSA Grade 5 and Grade 8 Science and the Biology End of Course Exam

School Year 2019–2020 was the first year the Hawai'i Department of Education administered operational science tests based on the Next Generation Science Standard. Under ordinary circumstances, after all testing was completed, stakeholders would have met to identify achievement standards. As testing during School Year 2019–2020 was not completed due to the COVID-19 outbreak, there is not sufficient data to conduct the standard setting.

However, a number of tests were completed and that data is being analyzed. In late August, this data will be provided to schools that conducted testing as one source of information that can contribute to decision-making regarding teaching and learning in your science classroom. More information will be provided in the near future.

WIDA ACCESS for ELLs

8. WIDA Online Screening Webinar

On Tuesday, August 4 from 8:00 - 9:00 am WIDA and DRC will host a free webinar on WIDA Screener Online training, test administration, and scoring. The recording of this webinar will be recorded and posted to the Secure Portal [Download Library](#) approximately a week after the presentation. Schools that are administering the online screener may view the recording at the above link.

“A man's mind, stretched by new ideas, may never return to its original dimensions.”

Oliver Wendell Holmes, Jr.

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