

Assessment News

Monday, January 24, 2022

Top News This Week

General Information

1. Longitudinal Educational Information System Modernization

The Data Governance and Analysis Branch (DGA) announces the availability of the Longitudinal Educational Information (LEI) Kūlia, the Hawaii Department of Education 's modernized data warehouse and upgrade to the existing Longitudinal Data System (LDS). Effective immediately, current LDS users will be able to access the new LEI Kūlia system using this link: lei.hidoedata.org. Sharing the same data as the LDS, LEI Kūlia introduces new intuitive dashboards combined with many of the most popular and useful reports currently in the LDS system. To help with the transition to the new LEI Kūlia system, LDS will be concurrently available throughout the current school year. For additional information, please refer to the December 28, 2021 memo [Longitudinal Educational Information System Modernization](#).

For more information and a demonstration of the new LEI Kūlia, DGA will be hosting two webinars (recordings will be posted to the LEI Kūlia site):

[January 26, 2022](#) 9:00 AM ID: 26203425418
Password: tnPRdDKP384

[January 27, 2022](#) 2:30 PM ID: 26207818854
Password: BDrmVd9w2U8

Test coordinators, counselors, administrators, and members of the school's assessment or data teams are welcome to attend these presentations to learn more about the LEI Kūlia. For more information, please contact Shane Hedani, Data Governance and Analysis Branch, at (808) 784-6046 or via email at shane.hedani@k12.hi.us.

2. Incoming Students Transferring from Kaiapuni Schools / Programs

If you have students transferring into your school from a Kaiapuni school please be sure to deactivate the Hawaiian Language Immersion Program (HLIP) flag in Infinite Campus so that these students will be eligible to take the Smarter Balanced ELA and Mathematics assessments as well as the HSA (NGSS) Science assessments.

Conversely, if a student is entering the Kaiapuni Program be sure to activate the HLIP flag.

Smarter Balanced

3. Smarter Balanced Assessment Test Window

The test window for the *summative* Smarter Balanced Assessments (SBA) will open on *Tuesday, February 22, 2022* and close on *Friday, May 27, 2022* (or the last day of school for multi-tracks). To avoid delays in testing, test coordinators should check with their school technology coordinator to ensure that student test devices have been updated with the current secure browser. For more

information about the 2021-22 Smarter Balanced Assessments, and other statewide assessment test windows, refer to the [May 24, 2021 DOE Memo](#).

4. Test Expiration Dates

Test coordinators should consider the expiration dates of tests while developing testing schedules. The ELA performance task (PT) will expire in 10 calendar days, and the CAT (mathematics and ELA) will expire in 45 calendar days, including weekends, holidays, and intercessions.

The ACT

5. Additional Materials Ordering Window

The window for ordering additional materials in [PANext](#) for the ACT is January 24 - February 18, 2022.

6. ACT Test Materials Handling Instructions

On Monday, January 24, ACT sent an email to test coordinators titled “Test Materials are Arriving Soon.” This email contains a to-do list for test coordinators when the materials arrive, as well as links to ACT Office Hours, where test coordinators may ask ACT staff questions regarding testing.

7. MyACT Online Registration

Students participating in the Spring 2022 administration of The ACT will need to create their MyACT accounts prior to testing and fill in the information such as score recipients. Students should use their MyACT code provided by ACT when creating their accounts to avoid duplicate accounts, which may impact the sending of their scores. Schools will receive the customized student letters with their MyACT codes with the shipment of ACT materials on the designated date (January 31 or February 7). Test coordinators may also download a list of students and their MyACT codes in [PANext](#).

8. ACT Score Reports

Score reports for the Spring 2022 administrations of The ACT will be available on the ACT [Online Reporting Portal](#). Test coordinators with access will be able to view student score reports and access files (when available) via this portal. Test coordinators who wish to view student scores will not be able to access student records without an account in the Online Reporting Portal (created by the principal).

9. ACT Online Reporting Portal Principal’s Webinar

ACT has made available on the ACT Hawaii webpage a [Trusted Agent Online Reporting Portal - Principal](#) webinar for principals who need assistance with setting up their accounts. Test coordinators may want to refer their principals to this webinar for assistance with creating their accounts.

10. PreACT Webinar Recording

The recording of the Friday, January 21 [Hawaii 2022 PreACT Test Administration Training](#) webinar is now available for review.

End-of-Course Exams

11. Spring 2022 End-of-Course Exam Window

The window for Spring 2022 End-of-Course exams (Biology, Algebra I, and Algebra II) will open on *April 25, 2022* and remain open until May 27, 2022. The Algebra EOC Exams are optional but the Biology 1 EOC Exam is required of all students in a Biology 1 course.

HSA-ALT

12. HSA-Alt Participation Guidelines

The HSA-Alt participation [documents](#) provide information for use by an IEP team when making decisions regarding alternate assessment eligibility. These documents outline the four participation criteria that must be met, provide examples of typical educational situations that should be considered, provide a series of questions and answers that should be considered, and provide a list of factors and "red flags" to consider during the HSA-Alt identification process.

13. Parent IDEA Letter

The Parent IDEA Letter provides information on the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) requirements. This letter should be sent home to all HSA-Alt parents prior to the administration of the HSA-Alt assessment. The letter can be accessed [here](#) or via alohahsap.org > HSA-Alt > Resources > type in the search bar "Parent IDEA Letter 2021."

14. HSA-Alt Training Tests

The HSA-Alt Training Tests offer a range of item types by grade-level, including multiple-choice and animations. HSA-Alt teachers and test administrators are encouraged to familiarize their students with the test format and design prior to testing. The Training Test site can be accessed [here](#) or via alohahsap.org > HSA-Alternate Assessments > Students and Families > Student Training and Practice Tests. Refer to the [Quick Start Guide to the Online HSA-Alt Training Test](#) or via alohahsap.org > HSA-Alternate Assessments > Resources.

15. HSA-Alt Informational Brochures

Informational brochures for Complex Area Superintendents, Principals, HSA-Alt Test Administrators, and Parents are now available online. To access these informational brochures about Hawaii's alternate assessments go [here](#) or alohahsap.org > HSA-Alt > Resources > and type in the search bar "HSA-Alt Informational Brochures 2021-2022."

WIDA ACCESS

16. ServiceNow and ACCESS for ELLs Online Technology Assistance

For all instances or questions where *network connectivity* is involved, please submit a [ServiceNow](#) ticket.

For all other questions regarding login or access information, questions regarding setup or configuration of the Central Office Services (COS) device, the INSIGHT Secure Browser, or supported operating systems, *please contact DRC directly at 1-855-787-9615*. They are best

equipped to support schools, as they have access to setup and configuration data that the Assessment Section does not have access to.

17. Upcoming WIDA Webinars

WIDA and DRC will be hosting webinars on the following ACCESS for ELLs topics:

- [Post-Testing: Returning Materials – ACCESS Paper](#) *Thursday, January 27, 9:00 am - 10:00 am HST*
- [During Testing: Monitoring Completion for Test Coordinators – ACCESS Online](#) *Tuesday, February 1, 9:00 am - 10:00 am HST*

More information and login details can be found in the WIDA Secure Portal on the [Webinars](#) page. Recordings for WIDA Q&A Webinars are posted to the WIDA Secure Portal on the Webinars page within a week of the presentation.

TECHNOLOGY COORDINATORS

18. Administering ACCESS for ELLs or WIDA Screener on iPad Devices

Schools using iPad devices with OS 14.x or higher to administer ACCESS for ELLs or the WIDA Screener will need to enable Cross-Website Tracking on each testing device. If Cross-Website Tracking is not enabled, student testing will be interrupted, and students will not be able to continue testing until this is corrected. To manually enable Cross-Website Tracking, perform the following steps on each iPad:

1. Navigate to Settings
2. Click DRC INSIGHT Online Assessments
3. Toggle Allow Cross-Website Tracking to on

See the [Technology User Guide](#), located in WIDA AMS under My Applications > General Information > Documents for additional information. Please contact DRC Customer Support at wida@datarecognitioncorp.com or (855) 787-9615 with any questions.

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