

# Assessment News

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## Top News This Week

### Smarter Balanced

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

There are instances where a student did not participate in an expected test (e.g., student refusal, medical, ELL First Year). These circumstances need to be documented in the Test Information Distribution Engine (TIDE) by selecting the "Data Management" drop-down and selecting "Reasons for NonParticipation." The "Discrepancy Resolution System" (DRS) feature in the "Data Management" dropdown is now active and helps users identify at their schools who did not participate in one or more tests. TIDE Users can use this feature to enter the applicable "Reasons for Non-Participation (non-participation code)" for each student and test. Once every student on the list generated in the DRS has a non-participation code identified, there should be no names left to view. To access the DRS, select the "Data Management" drop-down, then click "Discrepancy Resolution." For detailed information on how to use the DRS, refer to the [TIDE User Guide](#) (pages 98 - 103).

There will be an Office Hour webinar on Thursday, April 28, 2022 from 2:30pm-3:30pm for [the Reasons for Non-Participation and Discrepant Records System](#).

#### 2. Testing Incidents in TIDE

Test coordinators should review the various types of requests they can enter in TIDE in Appendix A of the [Test Administration Manual](#) prior to submitting testing incidents. Incorrect requests may result in delays in testing while a revised request is submitted and processed.

### The ACT

#### 3. Online Test Window 3

The window to create test sessions for Online test sessions for test window 3 opened on April 20 and will close on May 5, 2022. Test coordinators may refer to the [Schedule of Events](#) for dates and deadlines. Test coordinators can find instructions on creating test sessions online in Section 4 (Preparation) on the [ACT Hawaii](#) website.

#### 4. ACT Score Report Availability

Student level data files and aggregate reports from the Spring 2022 administration of the ACT will continue to be available for download in PANext. Test Coordinators may refer to the [Score Report Schedule](#) for a timetable of when the various reports will be available in PANext. Test

coordinators will also be able to retrieve student scores in the Online Reporting Portal, provided they have their Trusted Agent account set up.

## **5. PreACT Score Reports**

PreACT scores for the Spring 2022 administration will be available in the download hub of the Online Reporting Portal. Schools will also continue to receive printed copies of the school and student reports.

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