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IMPORTANT DATES FOR THE WEEKS AND MONTHS AHEAD	
NOVEMBER 17 – JANUARY 27	Report Validation Window for Fall Membership 2016-17
DECEMBER 15 – JANUARY 30	Collection Window for Staff Position 2016-17
JANUARY 10 – JUNE 9	OAKS Online Testing Window for Science and Social Sciences
JANUARY 19 - 27	Data Collection Audit Review Window for Second Period Cumulative ADM 2016-17
JANUARY 26	Public release of 2015-16 Dropout and Cohort Graduation Rate reports
JANUARY 27 - 29	OAKS Online Test Delivery System (including Practice Tests), TIDE, and Online Reporting System (ORS) offline for scheduled maintenance
JANUARY 30 – MARCH 10	Testing Window for NAEP in selected schools
FEBRUARY 1 - 28	Logramos test registration window
FEBRUARY 2	REMINDER: Student Enrollment Report (Fall Membership) for 2016-17 released to the public and press release
FEBRUARY 2 - 6	OAKS Online Test Delivery System (including Practice Tests) offline for deployment of Smarter Balanced and ELPA21 tests
FEBRUARY 3 - 5	OAKS Online TIDE and Online Reporting System (ORS) offline for scheduled maintenance
FEBRUARY 7 – APRIL 27	ELPA21 Testing Window
FEBRUARY 7 – JUNE 9	Smarter Balanced Testing Window for English Language Arts and Mathematics, grades 3-8 and high school (grade 11) (plus optional grade 12 retest)
FEBRUARY 9	Kindergarten Assessment Report for 2016-17 released to the public and press release
FEBRUARY 9 - 17	Data Collection Audit Review Window for Staff Position 2016-17
FEBRUARY 16 – APRIL 27	OAKS Extended Assessments Testing Window for English Language Arts, Mathematics, and Science
FEBRUARY 16 – MAY 12	OAKS Extended Assessments Data Entry Window for English Language Arts, Mathematics, and Science
FEBRUARY 28 – MARCH 3	ODE will forward the template to districts that have registered for Logramos with format for submission of background information on participating students.
MARCH 1-10	Districts submit to ODE demographic information for students participating in Logramos. **NEW**

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Upcoming System Downtimes

This is a reminder of the upcoming scheduled downtime prior to the deployment of Smarter Balanced and ELPA21 assessments.

System	Downtime Start	Downtime End
Online Reporting System	February 3, 5:00 PM PT	February 6, 6:00 AM PT
Test Delivery System	February 2, 5:00 PM PT	February 7, 6:00 AM PT
TIDE	February 3, 5:00 PM PT	February 6, 6:00 AM PT

Systems will not be available during these periods. The full list of Scheduled Downtime is available at oaksportal.org.

Frequently Asked Questions Document Now Available

The OAKS Help Desk compiled a list of frequently asked questions from the 2015-2016 testing year. Topics include: headsets and audio, submitting tests, adding students to TIDE, accessing score reports, troubleshooting student testing issues, and entering student test settings. The Frequently Asked Questions document, with answers, is now available at oaksportal.org.

Update: Upload Roster Maintenance Ongoing

AIR continues to work on the TIDE roster issue and expect this to be fixed by **Monday, January 30 at 8:00 a.m. PT**. While the View/Edit/Export Roster and Add Roster features will be available, the Upload Roster feature will not be available during this time. This feature will be available again Monday, January 30 at 8:00 a.m. PT. AIR and ODE apologize for any inconvenience this may cause.

Test Administration   **Assessment Test Administration Webpage**
MARY ANDERSON – DIRECTOR OF ASSESSMENT

No articles this week

■ **ELPA21**

ELPA21 Batch 1 Scores Available in ORS on April 10

AIR and ODE previously announced that the first batch of 2016-2017 ELPA21 scores would be available in the Online Reporting System (ORS) on Friday, April 7, 2017. However, ORS will need to be taken offline in preparation for the deployment of these scores. In order to minimize the amount of ORS downtime that will occur during regular business hours, the first batch of ELPA21 scores will now be available on **Monday, April 10**. ORS will be offline from **5 p.m. PT on April 7** through **6 a.m. PT on April 10**. ODE has updated Section 9.8 of the Test Administration Manual to note this change to the ELPA21 data delivery schedule. For a full schedule of system downtime, please see the OAKS Online Systems Scheduled Downtime.

- **EXTENDED ASSESSMENT**

No articles this week

- **KINDERGARTEN ASSESSMENT**

No articles this week

- **SMARTER BALANCED**

No articles this week

- **SCIENCE AND SOCIAL SCIENCES**

No articles this week

Accessibility Supports   Oregon Accessibility Manual
SARAH DRINKWATER – ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT, STUDENT SERVICES

No articles this week

Essential Skills   Essential Skills Homepage
CRISTEN MCLEAN – ASSESSMENT POLICY ANALYST

No articles this week

Accountability Reporting   Links to Accountability Webpages
JON WIENS – SENIOR DIRECTOR, ASSESSMENT AND ACCOUNTABILITY

Cohort Graduation and NCES Dropout Rates Published

The 2015-16 Cohort Graduation and NCES Dropout Rates are now publicly available as of January 26. You can find them at http://www.oregon.gov/ode/reports-and-data/Pages/Graduation-Cohort-Dropout-Rates.aspx. Thank you all for your hard work validating these reports over the last few months.

If you have questions about these reports, please contact Isabella Jacoby.

Fall Membership Validation Closes Friday, January 27

The Fall Membership Validation will close at the end of the day on **Friday, January 27, 2017**. For more information, please see the original text published in the January 19 A&A Update. For questions, please contact your Regional ESD Partners or Beth Blumenstein at beth.blumenstein@state.or.us or 503-947-5767.

Staff Position Collection Closes Monday, January 30

The Staff Position Collection will close at **11:59 PM on Monday, January 30, 2017**. For more information, please see the original text published in the January 19 A&A Update. For questions, please contact your Regional ESD Partners or Beth Blumenstein at beth.blumenstein@state.or.us or 503-947-5767.

2016-17 ORS Training Date Added

Due to the technical difficulties encountered during Tuesday morning's ORS training, ODE and AIR have added a new session for the 2016 ORS Training on **Tuesday, January 31 from 9 - 10 a.m. PT** in addition to today's training from 3 - 4 p.m. PT. For those of you that are unable to join us either today or Tuesday, we will be posting a recorded version to our website which will be announced through the DTC listserv and A&A Update.
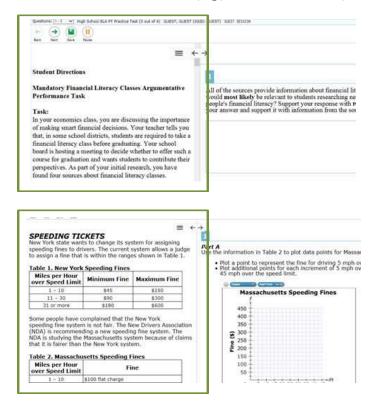
To register for the rescheduled webinar, please use the link provided here: https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/rt/7053862255250046977 and select the January 31 option from the dropdown.

Question & Answer
ANSWERS TO COMMON QUESTIONS FROM THE FIELD

Question: What is a "stimulus"?

Answer: A stimulus is content displayed on the left-hand side of a split screen in the testing interface (requires the arrows that extend an item and stimuli to the left or right). Depending on the assessment, this may include a graph, chart, reading passage, image, video, etc. Please see the screenshots below that illustrate what a stimulus looks like for an ELA item (top) and a math item (bottom).

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