

DECEMBER 2025 UPDATES

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Agenda

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Programmatic Updates

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2025-2026 OSTP Spring Administration

- The 2025-2026 OSTP will entail year-end summative assessments.
 - No benchmarks will be utilized this year for the state summative tests.
- Grades 3-8 ELA and Math and grades 5 and 8 Science will be administered through Cognia.
- Grade 11 US History and Science will be administered through Cognia.
- Grade 11 ELA & Math assessments will be administered through ACT.
- Please check the [Office of Assessments webpage](#) regularly for updates and announcements.

UPDATED TESTING CALENDAR

2025–2026

ACT
STANDARD
ONLINE

WINDOW 1

MARCH 24–27; MARCH 30–APRIL 3

WINDOW 2

APRIL 7–10; APRIL 13–17

WINDOW 3

APRIL 21–24; APRIL 27–MAY 1
(MAKE-UP TESTING ONLY)

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GRADE 11 CCRA
SCIENCE &
US HISTORY

ONLINE

APRIL 1 – APRIL 30

PAPER

APRIL 1 – APRIL 10

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GRADES 3–8
ELA & MATH
GRADES 5 & 8
SCIENCE

ONLINE

APRIL 13 – MAY 13

PAPER

APRIL 13 – APRIL 30

WIDA
UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN-MADISON

WIDA ACCESS
ASSESSMENTS

WIDA ACCESS

JANUARY 5 – MARCH 20

NAEP
NATIONAL ASSESSMENT
OF EDUCATIONAL
PROGRESS

ONLINE

JANUARY 26 – MARCH 20

DYNAMIC
LEARNING MAPS

ALL GRADES &
CONTENT
AREAS

OAAP/DLM

MARCH 24 – MAY 14



TESTING WINDOW

Changes in Cognia testing platform

- Be looking for communications from Cognia regarding the testing platform for Spring 2026.
- **All Chrome users** will need to have a new app installed on all devices.
 - Step-by-step instructions are provided on the Help & Support page.
 - Site readiness is strongly encouraged after the update to ensure all devices are functioning correctly.
 - If the new app is not installed, students will not be able to test.

Test Security Forms

- This year instead of utilizing Qualtrics, Google Forms is being used for the test security forms.
- This will ensure that a copy is sent to the email address once it is submitted.
- Information collected will be the same; formatting may be slightly different.

DTC Duties in December

- Precode (due **January 9**)
- Test Date Selection: ACT (due **December 5**)
- Verify access to testing portals
- Submit Accommodation Requests: ACT
- Prepare Documentation for Non-Standard Accommodation Request (due **February 1**)
- Plan Spring Testing dates for each site

OAAP Updates

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OAAP – Helpful Reports

District/Building Test Coordinators may benefit from the following data extracts:

- Security Agreement Completion
 - Verify whether users have agreed to the security agreement
- Training Status
 - Review which teachers have completed training
- Users
 - And modify (add, remove, edit) users as needed

Located in Kite Educator Portal under the Reports tab, select Data Extracts, and these reports will be under the Data Management tab.

The screenshot shows the Kite Educator Portal interface. At the top, there is a navigation bar with a home icon, 'SETTINGS', 'MANAGE TESTS', and 'REPORTS' (which is highlighted). Below the navigation bar, there are two tabs: 'Student Information' and 'Test Administration and Monitoring'. The 'Test Administration and Monitoring' tab is active. Under this tab, the 'Data Extracts' section is visible. A note states: 'Data extracts may include Personally Identifiable'. Below the note, there is a table with the following data:

Extract
Security Agreement Completion
Training Status
Users

Oklahoma's Alternate Assessment Program

“Why can schools only have 1% qualify for OAAP?”

- The guidance pertaining to only have 1% of students participate in the alternate assessment is set by the United States Department of Education at the state level.
- The 1% cap does not apply to districts. The initiative to monitor districts over 1% is to support the waiver SDE must request from the United States Department of Education. If districts are over the 1% and the students are appropriately placed, please do not remove students from the alternate assessment.

Oklahoma's Alternate Assessment Program

District Level OAAP Participation – Justification Survey

- If your district is anticipating more than 1.0 percent of your testing population (Grades 3-8, and 11) will participate in the OAAP/DLM testing in the 2026 spring operational window, the survey: “[2025-2026 Justification for Exceeding 1.0 % in OAAP Participation](#)” must be completed online by **March 2, 2026**. If your district is not expecting to exceed the cap, no action is required.

ACT Updates

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ACT CHANGES – SPRING 2026

- This spring students will take the enhanced ACT as part of the state assessment.
 - Changes include shorter tests and more time per question.
- The subject areas remain the same, as does the core content and skills and knowledge assessed.
- This impacts paper and online testing.
- The Science Test will be part of the Oklahoma State ACT.

OTHER ACT CHANGES

- More flexibility in scheduling
 - Have the possibility to test over two consecutive days
 - English, Math, and Reading have to be administered on Day 1.
 - Science and Writing can be administered on Day 2.
 - Districts can still administer all the tests in one day as before.
 - Districts can also opt to offer English, Math, Reading, and Science on Day 1 and Writing on Day 2.
- A student's composite score will reflect the student's performance on the English, Math, and Reading tests.

ACT – Upcoming Dates/Deadlines

- **December 5:** Test Date Selection
- **February 11:** Accommodations Deadline (Window 1)
- **February 25:** Accommodations Deadline (Window 2)
- **February 18:** Online Site Readiness
- [Oklahoma ACT Webpage](#)

Oklahoma Spring 2026 ACT[®] Test Dates

Online Testing (Standard & Accommodations)	Dates
Online Testing Windows (Standard and Accommodated Testing)	Window 1: March 24-27; March 30-April 3, 2026 Window 2: April 7-10; April 13-17, 2026
Makeup Testing Window	April 21-24; April 27-May 1, 2026
Paper Accommodations Window	Window 1: March 24-27; March 30-April 3, 2026 Window 2: April 7-10; April 13-17, 2026

ACT 2025-2026 TRAINING

- Accommodation Webinar:
 - On demand
 - [Register](#) for access
- Test Administration Training #1:
 - December 4, 2026, at 1:00 p.m.
 - [Register](#)
- ACT Online Readiness Webinar:
 - February 5, 2026, at 1:00 p.m.
 - [Register](#)
- Test Administration Training #2:
 - February 26, 2026, at 1:00 p.m.
 - [Register](#)

Common ACT Questions

- **How will my students be uploaded for spring testing?**
 - On January 9, our Accountability Office will pull the grade 11 students for your district/site, clean the data, put it into the correct format, and send to ACT, who will upload them into Pearson Access Next. If you do not see students in Pearson Access Next by January 26, let us know. You may be logged into District Testing.

ACT CONTACT INFORMATION

OKLAHOMA CALL CENTER
319-337-1599

ACT GENERAL QUESTIONS
800.553.6244 ext 2800
act.org/stateanddistrict/contactus

ACCOMMODATIONS & SUPPORTS
800.553.6244 ext 1788
ACTStateAccomms@act.org

ACT WORKKEYS



- The testing window is open until **December 5, 2025.**
- **A NEW WINDOW HAS BEEN ADDED FOR SPRING: February 17 – March 13**
- For Oklahoma public school students in grades 11 & 12 while funds are available.
- National Career Readiness Credentials
 - Workplace Documents
 - Applied Math
 - Graphic Literacy
- For more information, check out the [Oklahoma ACT WorkKeys webpage.](#)

EL Updates

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OSTP English Learner Participation and Accommodation

- English Learners are not exempt from OSTP assessments.
- Online OSTP assessments are available in Spanish in all grade levels and content areas except ELA.
- Paper OSTP assessments are only available in English.
- For additional information regarding specific EL student testing accommodations and their allowability, please refer to the [OSTP EL Accommodations Manual](#).

Upcoming WIDA Assessment Events

- WIDA Assessment Window: **January 5 – March 20**
- WIDA AMS Test Setup Available: **December 2 – March 20**
- Districts Receive Test Materials: **January 6**
- Additional Test Material Ordering: **January 5 – March 13**
- Deadline for Shipping Materials: **March 27**

OELP's 2025-2026 WIDA ACCESS Assessments Overview

- This webinar will provide an overview of Oklahoma ACCESS testing. Participants will be able to ask questions during the webinar. A recording of the webinar will be posted to the OELP webpage.
- **Dec 9, 2025, 12:00 PM-1:45 PM Central Time**
 - To register for the webinar, click [here](#)
- This webinar is supplemental to the required WIDA ACCESS certification trainings offered in the WIDA Secure Portal, and they do not take the place of WIDA's assessment trainings.

NAEP

Rebecca Logan

For those districts selected for NAEP:

- **Late-August:** District superintendents notified of school(s) selection and district technology directors complete technology survey
- **September:** Model assignments conveyed (administration on NAEP or school devices) and site principals notified of their selection
- **October:** Principals sent details and asked to designate a school coordinator

Ahead for districts selected for NAEP:

- **November 4** : school coordinators contacted - asked to register and complete calendar information
- **November**: State submits list of eligible students to NAEP
- **December 8**: List of selected students becomes available in the assessment management system (AMS) and school coordinators begin preassessment activities
- [Preassessment Guide – NAEP Device](#)
- [Preassessment Guide – School Device](#)

Non-Standard Accommodations

Deb Wade

Introduction

- Non-Standard Accommodations are accommodations offered for students on an IEP/504/Health Plan that require OSDE approval.
- The **ELA/Read-Aloud Accommodation** (NS1) is for students who are not able to decode text on their own.
 - This accommodation is **not** for students who read below grade-level.
- The **Unique Accommodation** (NS2) is for students who require changes or alterations to the test materials, presentation, or environment.

Timeline

- The application window opens on December 1 annually.
 - Applications are submitted through the Non-Standard Accommodation Application in Single Sign On.
- The application window closes on February 1 annually.
- The application status will be indicated in Single Sign On no later than March 15.

NSA: 3-Pronged Approach (NS1)

**For NSA
application to
be
considered:**

Student is unable to decode
at any level

Student needs, and is provided with,
assistance (assistive technology or
human reader) ****EXCEPT WHILE
BEING TAUGHT DECODING****

IEP/504 team uploads required
documentation to the Non-Standard
Accommodation Application in Single
Sign On

NSA: Factor 1

- The student has a **specific disability that severely limits or prevents** him/her from **decoding printed text at any level** of difficulty, even after varied and repeated attempts to teach the student to do so (i.e., the student is a non-reader, not simply reading below grade level); and

NSA: Factor 2

- The student **can only access printed materials through assistance**, such as a screen reader (assistive technology) or human reader and/or is provided with spoken text on audiotape, CD, video, or other electronic format during routine instruction (including Sign Language Interpretation) **except while the student is being taught to decode**; and

NSA: Factor 3

- The IEP/504 team will utilize and **provide the required documentation** from the OSTP ELA Test Read-Aloud Protocol, which includes
 - the use of the Protocol for Accommodations in Reading (PAR)
 - the AEM Navigator for deaf or blind students.
- This documentation must be **uploaded to the Non-Standard Accommodation Application in Single Sign On** for consideration by the OSDE.

Documentation Needed for NS1

- An up-to-date IEP/504 Plan (No longer need to upload due to EdPlan)
- An evaluation report/MEEGS within the past 3 years (No longer need to upload due to EdPlan)
- Completed OSTP ELA/Read-Aloud Non-Standard Accommodation Protocol
- ALL pages of the PAR Administration (or AEM Navigator for visually impaired students)
- At least three reading screening results from the past year
 - Two from the current school year
 - **No read-aloud accommodations should be utilized with the screener**
 - Approved screeners linked on the protocol

Unique Accommodations (NS2)

- Students with disabilities who have IEP/504/Health Plans are eligible for consideration for unique accommodations on state assessments (e.g., allow projection of test for students receiving the Sign Language Interpretation accommodation in small groups, manipulatives, special devices, glucose monitors, etc.).
- The unique accommodation must be one that is regularly used by the student for classroom instruction, must be on the student's IEP/504/Health Plan, and must not alter the underlying content of the assessment.

Unique Accommodations (Form U)

- Same timeline/method of submitting.
- Please have the Form U filled out COMPLETELY.
 - IEP/504 Dates noted
 - All questions answered
 - All signatures needed

Approval Process

- The NSA Applications are reviewed by an intra-agency committee; the committee is comprised of specialists in literacy and special education.
- The decision of the committee is final.
- Form U applications are reviewed within the Office of Assessments to determine if all the required documentation is included and if the accommodation is reasonable.

Non-Standard Accommodations Webinar

- The Office of Assessments will be hosting a webinar specifically about Non-Standard Accommodations at 2:00 on Thursday, December 11th
- The webinar will give more in-depth details on the application process for the NS1 read-aloud accommodations and the NS2/Form U unique accommodations
- Please invite anyone involved in the NSA application process to register and attend (e.g., DTCs, Special Education Directors)
- Participants may use this link to register: [Webinar Registration - Zoom](#)

Precode Information

Alyssa Tyra

Precode Window:

Now through January 9, 2026

- Purpose: Verify student information before it is uploaded into testing vendors' systems. Precode is done in the Accountability Reporting application.
- The following fields must be accurate:
 - State Testing Number (STN)
 - First, Last Name (ensure names are spelled correctly)
 - Birthdate (ensure birthdate is accurate)
 - Grade
 - EL Status/IEP Status/504 Plans
 - Enrollment date/Fullcode

How to make changes to a student's data in the Accountability Reporting Application

- Demographic changes, e.g., name change, date of birth, grade level, IEP status, and EL status, must be made in the SIS. IEP Status and 504 status must be consistent with EDPlan.
- If demographic changes have not transferred over to ARA after 24-48 hours, please contact studentdatainfo@sde.ok.gov to ensure that your SIS is set up properly.

IEP Status Change (not showing in AR)

- If a student still is not showing up as being on an IEP in the Accountability Reporting application, then contact sesdata@sde.ok.gov.

Testing Accommodations

- The only testing accommodations that will "automatically transfer" after Precode closes are paper/pencil, large print, and Braille.
- All other testing accommodations that need to be provided on test day will have to be configured in the OSTP Data Portal after the students have been uploaded to the portal by Cognia.

Accountability Reporting Application

- To view Accommodations in AR, go to Student Data -> Students. The only OSTP testing accommodations that appear in the Accommodation column are paper/pencil, large print, and Braille.

Create DVR (Accom.)	Accommodation	Virtual Data Attender
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	Y	V
	Y	V
	Y	V
	Y	V

Large Print
Paper Pencil

Accommodation Changes

- Braille, Large-Print, or Paper/Pencil Accommodation Changes must be properly designated in EDPlan first for these to appear in the Accountability Reporting Application.
- If the Braille, Large-Print, or Paper/Pencil is still not showing up after 24-48 hours, please email Accountability@sde.ok.gov. This is the same scenario for removing an accommodation, but it must be done properly in EDPlan first.
- No other accommodations are captured during Precode.

Resources

- Precode Scribe
 - Step-by-step for navigating in the Accountability Reporting application on Single Sign On
 - Can be found on the [Office of Assessment's webpage](#)



Assessment Precode

Precode is open now through Jan. 9, 2026.

Alyssa Tyra | 9 steps | 43 seconds

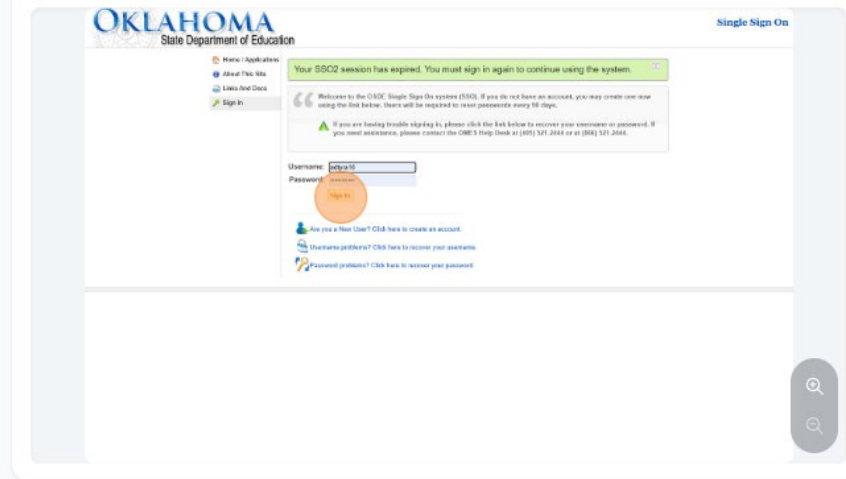


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Navigate to SDE's Single Sign On at

<https://sdeweb01.sde.ok.gov/SSO2/Signin.aspx> and log in.

Guide Me



2

Click on the "Accountability Reporting" application. If you do not have access, please reach out to your superintendent.



FAQs

- **Do I have to have an alternate DTC?**
 - We do require that an alternate DTC be named in case of an emergency. This gives us another contact in the district, just in case.
- **If I participate in the required DTC training, do I still need to do the TA and TP modules?**
 - No. If you participate in the required DTC training and receive a certificate, you are eligible to serve as a TA or TP. That being said, one of the biggest issues we see during monitoring is that a DTC or BTC will serve as a TA or TP while other test sessions are occurring. A DTC should not serve as a TA or TP if multiple sessions are occurring in the district. A BTC should not serve as a TA or TP while other test sessions are occurring in the building.

- **My students take US History in the 10th grade, so we should administer the CCRA US History test to our sophomores, right?**
 - No. All state testing at the high school level is required to be administered in the 11th grade for Accountability measures.
- **Do foreign exchange students have to take state assessments?**
 - Yes, if they are enrolled in an assessed grade. Thus, foreign exchange students enrolled in 11th grade would need to take the CCRA for Accountability purposes. Foreign exchange students enrolled in 12th grade would not need to take the exams as they are not diploma-seeking students.

- **What should we do for seniors who have finished their coursework and all other graduation requirements but are missing one or more CCRA tests?**
 - 1. Seniors missing any CCRA can take make-up exams to fulfill graduation assessment requirements (OAC 210:10-13-1.1).
 - 2. These exams do NOT count toward accountability measures or college admissions.
 - 3. These exams do not have an OPI or ACT equivalency score.
 - 4. They are intended for seniors who have completed all other graduation requirements except testing.
 - 5. Seniors enrolled through Spring 2026 should take regular CCRA state exams.
 - 6. Email assessments@sde.ok.gov to request make-up exams for your seniors.

Thank You!

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