Assessment Updates

Oklahoma School Testing Program

October 2026

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Session Agenda

- Programmatic Updates
- Content Area Updates
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- Precode
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PROGRAMMATIC UPDATES

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2026-2027 Testing Calendar: CCRA

ACT® STANDARD ONLINE

- **Test Window 1:** March 23 – March 26; March 29 – April 2
- **Test Window 2:** April 6 – April 9; April 12 – April 16
- **Make-up Window:** April 20 – April 23; April 26 - April 30

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GRADE 11 CCRA SCIENCE & US HISTORY

- **Online Testing:** April 1 – April 30
- **Paper Testing:** April 1 – April 15

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2026-2027 Testing Calendar: OSTP



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

- **OSTP ONLINE:** Last Four Weeks of Your District's Instructional Calendar

- See HB 4359 Guidance

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2026-2027 Testing Calendar: OAAP



REQUIRED

State Summative Spring Window:

March 24 – May 14

OPTIONAL

Instructionally Embedded Assessments:

September 14 – February 19

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2026-2027 Testing Calendar: WIDA



January 5 – March 12

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2026-2027 Testing Calendar: ACT WorkKeys

GRADES 10 – 12

September 28 – May 7*

*Until funding cap is reached

DTC Duties in November

- Precode
- Test Date Selection: ACT
- Verify access to testing portals
- Submit Accommodation Requests: ACT
- Prepare Documentation for Non-Standard Accommodation Request
- Plan dates, staffing, logistics for spring testing

CONTENT AREA UPDATES

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ELA Updates

- TEI and constructed-response item examples are on the grade 3-8 practice tests. (No short CRs in grades 5 and 8)
- The 2021 ELA Oklahoma Academic Standards will be assessed this Spring and have aligned Performance Level Descriptors.
- For classroom resources, please visit the ELA Frameworks.
- Grade 5 and 8 Writing tests:
  - If a student gets locked out of the writing prompt, keep the student in the secured testing session, and call the Office of Assessments for assistance in unlocking. If you do not get an answer the first time you call, please continue to call.

Non-Standard Accommodations

- Remember that the Non-Standard Accommodation for ELA Read-Aloud or TTS must be approved by the state.
- The non-standard accommodation application is available on Single Sign On from **December 1 – February 1 annually**.
- The recording and slide deck from last year's webinar is on the website, and more resources will be coming soon – hopefully by next month's webinar.

NS2/Form U

There were some changes last year in what requires a Form U application, but the guidelines remain consistent:

- Any unique accommodation should be listed on a student's IEP, 504, or Health Plan.
- The accommodation should be included in both the classroom and the OSTP sections of the appropriate plan.

Please see below for updates on what **does not** require a Form U application

No Form U Application is Needed for Standard Accommodations

- These include changes in setting, timing, presentation, or response.
- Some **examples** are:
- Large-print or Braille editions of the test
- Dictating responses to a scribe
- Frequent breaks
- Assistive technology, such as color overlays or multiplication charts

No Form U Application is Needed for Calming/Sensory Tools

- Some **examples** are:
- Fidget devices
- Bouncy chairs
- Elastic chair bands
- Stuffed animals
- Blankets
- Chew toys

Mathematics

- All grades have technology-enhanced items (TEIs).
- Most TEIs have examples on grades 3-8 practice tests.
- The Calculator Policy is the same.
- For grades 6-8 Math, a DESMOS calculator will be available within the testing platform.
- The Reference Sheets for grades 6-8 are available on the Assessment Materials page.
- Performance Level Descriptors still align to the 2022 Math Oklahoma Academic Standards.

Science

- All science tests have technology-enhanced items (TEIs).
- Most TEIs have examples on the practice tests.
- The 2020 Science standards will be assessed in spring 2027.
- Review the updated Test and Item Specification manuals posted on the Assessments Materials webpage.
- Review the Performance Level Descriptors for Science.
- There are links to the Periodic Table and Calculator Policy on the College- and Career-Readiness Assessments webpage.

US History

- This year's CCRA US History Assessment is aligned to the Oklahoma Academic Standards (2019).
- The current Blueprint is posted on the College- and Career-Readiness Assessments webpage.
- Refer to the Performance Level Descriptors for US History.
- An updated Test and Item Specifications manual will be posted soon.
- Review the practice test with your students so that they will be familiar with how to navigate the platform.
- Keep in mind that there are many resources available on the Oklahoma Social Studies Framework for US History including instructional resources, a sample unit progression, an objective analysis with lesson ideas, primary and secondary resources, and other engagement strategies.

ACT

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ACT – Upcoming Dates/Deadlines

- Test Date Selection: **December 11**
- Accommodation Requests: **February 10**
- Site Readiness: **November 9 – February 17**
- Verify Enrollment: **January 20 – March 23**
- **Oklahoma ACT Webpage**

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Oklahoma Spring 2027 ACT® Test Dates

Online Testing (Standard & Accommodations)	Dates
Window 1 (Online Standard and Accommodated Testing)	**Window 1:** March 23-26; March 29-April 2, 2027
Testing Window 2 (Online Standard and Accommodated Testing	**Window 2:** April 6-9; April 12-16, 2027
Makeup Testing Window	April 20-23; April 26-30, 2027

2026-2027 TRAINING

- Accommodations Webinar:
  - **September 16, 2026**, at 2:00 p.m.
  - Register to view
- Test Administration Training #1:
  - **December 3, 2026**, at 2:00 p.m.
  - Register
- ACT Online Readiness Webinar
  - **February 4, 2027,** at 2:00 p.m.
  - Register
- Test Administration Training #2:
  - **February 25, 2027**, at 2:00 p.m.
  - Register

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 2800
ACTStateAccomms@act.org

ACT WORKKEYS

- Funding is still available
- For Oklahoma public school students in grades 10-12
- National Career Readiness Credentials
  - Workplace Documents
  - Applied Math
  - Graphic Literacy
- The testing window is open until **May 7, 2027,** or until funding cap is reached.
- For more information, check out the Oklahoma ACT WorkKeys webpage.

OAAP/Accommodations Updates

Angela Kelly, OAAP Project Director

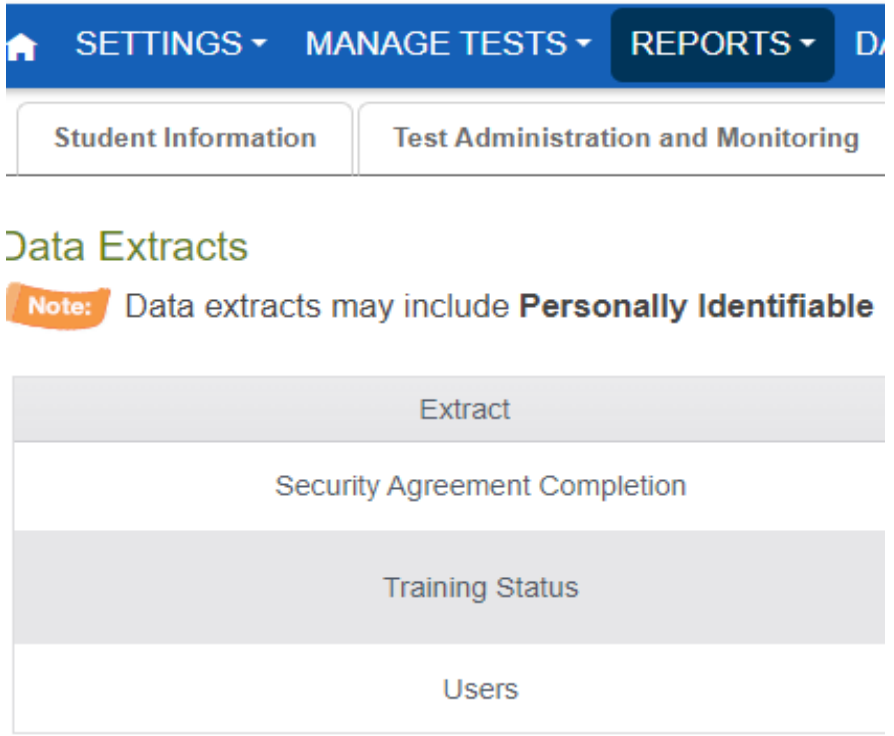
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OAAP – Helpful Reports

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.



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Precode

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Precode Window:

November 12, 2026, through January 11, 2027

- Purpose: Verify student information before it is uploaded into testing vendors' systems. Precode is done in the Accountability Reporting application.

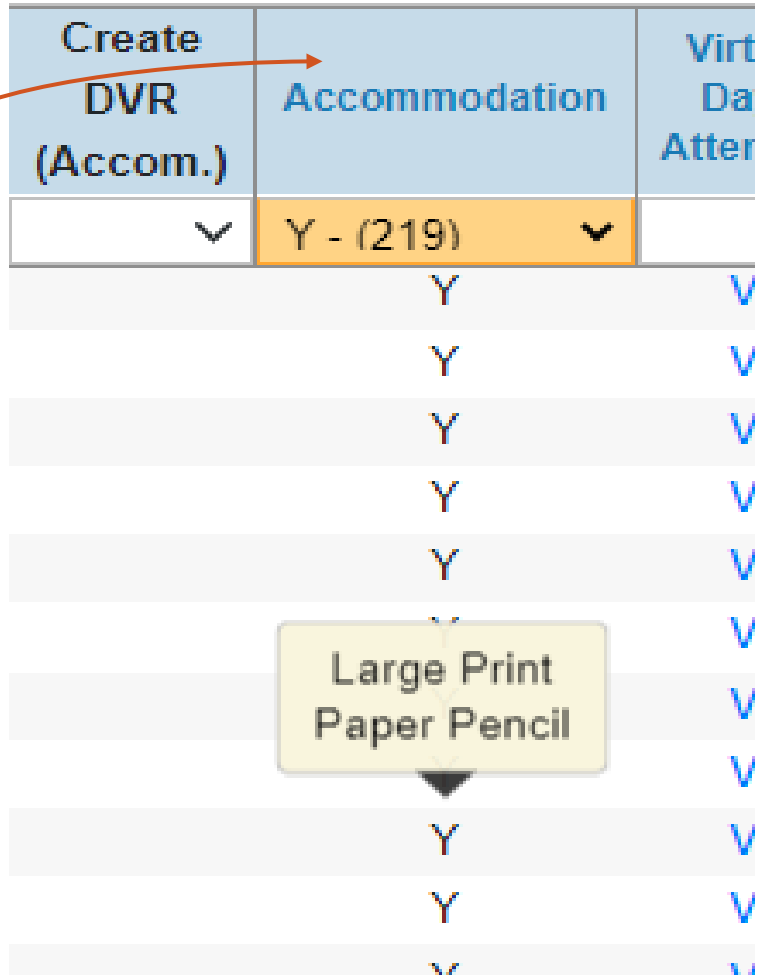
- The following fields must be accurate:
  - State Testing Number (STN)
  - First, Last Name (ensure names are spelled correctly)
  - Birthdate (ensure birthdate is accurate)
  - Grade
  - EL Status/IEP Status/504 Plans

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 Accountability Reporting (AR), go to Student Data ➡ Students. The only OSTP testing accommodations that appear in the Accommodation column are paper/pencil, large-print, and Braille.



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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, please contact Accountability@sde.ok.gov.

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 AR after 48 hours, please contact studentdatainfo@sde.ok.gov to ensure that your SIS is set up properly.

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 Accommodation is still not showing up after 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.

FAQs

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Frequently Asked Questions

How do I get access to Pearson Access Next?

- Please reach out to us at SDE. The DTCs and Test Coordinators in Pearson Access Next are populated through the DTC Designation form; we recognize that there may have been changes.

How will my students be uploaded for Spring testing?

- On January 12, 2027, our Accountability Office will pull the students for your district/site and send them to the testing vendors, who will upload them into the testing platforms. **If you do not see students in the testing platforms by the end of January, please let us know.**

Frequently Asked Questions

Do seniors from out of state have to take all of the CCRA?

- Students who transfer into Oklahoma schools their senior year do not have to take our CCRA assessments if they were on track for graduation, according to the testing requirements of their former state.
- If you find that they are not on track for graduation according to their former state's testing requirements – or if you are having trouble verifying this information with their former district, then a good solution would be to enroll them in the Spring CCR Assessments to ensure they meet the graduation requirements.

Thank You!

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