

Reporting – Achievement Assessments 10/29/21 Webinar Chat Questions

- 1. Will Oral Reading Fluency (ORF) scores be reported this year? ORF items will not be counted in the students' scores in 2021-2022. Beginning in 2022-2023, the ORF scores will be included in the Move On When Reading scores. ORF scores will not be reported separately.
- 2. Will students take Writing on both the operational AASA and the Writing Stand-Alone Field Test (SAFT)? Will we receive reports for both tests?

Students in Grades 3-8 will take Writing on both the operational AASA in April 2022 and the Writing SAFT in January-February 2022. We will analyze the data from the field test to determine if the writing prompts can be used in future years on an operational assessment. Districts, schools, and students do not receive test results from any Arizona field tests, including the Writing SAFT. The operational AASA ELA test in Spring 2022 will have a writing section. Districts, schools, and students will receive an ELA score from the operational test as they have in the past.

3. Are there plans to request that the vendor use the same colors and symbols for at/above mastery on both AASA and AzSCI?

This is something ADE can look into. Differentiating between AASA and AzSCI was the intent.

4. What item types will be included on AASA? Is it all multiple choice?

The item types are identified in the Item Specifications documents and are presented in the Sample Tests. There are open-ended questions and technology-enhanced items (e.g., drag and drop, in-line choice, and drop-down menus). There will be more than multiple choice items. ADE will be using the same item bank used for AzM2.

5. Will student reports be available in electronic version, one file with all student reports (pdf, csv, etc.) by school or district?

Yes. Pearson will provide a pdf of the Individual Student Reports in a single file, posted in PearsonAccess^{next} by school. The .csv Student Data File will be posted by district.

6. For ACT Aspire and ACT, will there be an Arizona-specific scale, or will we use the national scale?

We will use the national scale for all ACT and ACT Aspire reports. How the scores produced on these tests will be used for State and Federal Accountability will be determined by the State Board and ADE's Accountability team.

7. What is the window of time that is used to determine the national percentile rank for ACT and/or ACT Aspire?

For ACT, this is determined from the start of the school year with the first September test date and goes through the final July test date of the same school year. ACT Aspire's summative norming window is calculated based on the Spring Aspire testing window, incorporating previous Spring administrations to ensure populations are carried across from year to year. More information about National Percentile Ranks for Aspire can be found in the <u>Interpretive Guide for ACT Aspire</u>.

8. Does ADE provide any crosswalks or other resources to understand ACT and ACT Aspire in relation to our state standards?

ADE is working with our test vendor to develop crosswalks for ACT and ACT Aspire and ADE ELA and Mathematics Standards.

9. Can ADE provide information about how a norm-reference exam is going to provide evidence of growth?

Growth will be from AzM2 FY21 to ACT FY22. Growth has been provided using ACT in other states, as well. More information will be made available after the FY22 Models are finalized.

10. Will reporting include information that will help families understand that a norm-referenced test is a moving target based on norm group and not stable criteria? *ADE will include information for schools and families in the Score Interpretation Guides, that are available once reports have been made available.*

11. Are the ACT and ACT Aspire Technical Manuals published? Yes, both manuals are published, and links have been included on the <u>ACT/ACT Aspire page</u> of our website. Links are also included below. <u>ACT Technical Manual</u> ACT Aspire Technical Manual

12. Will score reports be available in CSV form?

The district student data file format is .csv. Electronic student score reports will be posted in .pdf format.

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