Assessments

An Overview for the 2023-2024 School Year
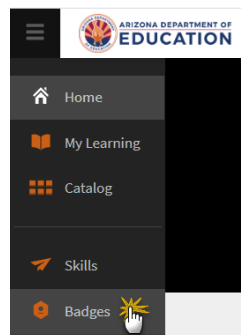## Friday Focus Webinar – September 8, 2023

Arizona Learning Management System (AzLMS)

For Achievement, will we need to provide a staff training, or will all staff access their required trainings through the AzLMS system?

Staff will be able to access the required trainings through the AzLMS. These training modules may also be shared with staff through a group training if that is preferred. More information will be coming soon regarding how to provide a group training through AzLMS as well as how to track staff completion of trainings in AzLMS. District Test Coordinators are responsible for tracking that all staff have received or completed the required trainings.

How do we access certificates for the AZELLA training modules we have completed?

All course completion certificates are available in the Learner mode under the "Badges" section in the AzLMS.

Grade 8 ACT Predictive Score

Can high school districts access the Grade 8 ACT predictive score for students when they enter our high schools?

The Grade 8 ACT predictive score is available on AASA electronic reports in PearsonAccess[next] as well as the paper copies of Grade 8 AASA Individual Student Reports. We are looking into options for high school districts, who do not have access to AASA PearsonAccess[next], to have access to the Grade 8 ACT predictive score for students who enter their high schools.

Achievement Reporting

How do we access longitudinal reporting for students without having to search one-by-one by student name?

From the AASA Historical Student Data reports in PearsonAccess^{next}, users with the "Historical Report Viewer" role can search for students in their school or district/charter by SSID, name, or testing group. If testing groups were set up before the end of the testing window, this filter can be used to search for a group of students and access longitudinal reporting for those students.

Where can we access historical data for our students in ADEConnect, including students who took assessments at other Arizona schools?

ADEConnect users with the "Accountability" role can access prior years' test results for students currently enrolled in their school/district/charter. Log into ADEConnect, then select "Accountability." Then, under "Student Level Assessment Data," click on "Download Testing Data." Select the school, year, and assessment to access scores for students currently enrolled.

AASA Parent Portal

Where can we access information about the AASA Parent Portal?

Information about the AASA Parent Portal, which is an optional resource available only for AASA, is available in the AASA Reporting Guide, including how to access the claim codes report in PearsonAccess^{next}. A claim code is required in order for parents/guardians to access their student's AASA scores in the AASA Parent Portal. The AASA Parent Portal User Guide is also available in English and Spanish to assist schools/districts with providing the claim code and additional information to parents/guardians.

ACT Aspire

ACT has indicated that ACT Aspire has been retired. Is this correct?

While ACT Aspire has been discontinued at a national level, Arizona will continue to administer ACT Aspire to students in the 9th grade cohort for the life of our contract. Starting November 1, 2023, support and communications for Arizona schools administering ACT Aspire will be provided by Pearson rather than ACT.

Alt ELPA

Do we need to submit information at this time about students who will be taking Alt ELPA this school year?

The Student Selector Application, which is how students are registered for alternate assessments, opens on October 2, 2023.

Should Alt ELPA be administered by the teacher who administers MSAA or by the teacher who administers AZELLA?

Alt ELPA must be administered by a familiar test administrator to ensure the student's mode(s) of communication are understood during testing. Typically, it will be the student's teacher who also administers MSAA.

MSAA

Who should we contact to make sure we are only testing 1%? Where do we get the accurate number and the list of students to test?

IEP teams must follow the Alternate Assessment Eligibility Criteria when determining participation in alternate assessments. The Alternate Assessment Test Coordinator registers eligible students in the Student Selector Application. ADE uses this registration to upload students into the assessment portals.

Webinar Information

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