

FRIDAY FOCUS REQUESTS FOR PROPOSAL



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AGENDA

Contract Dates

AZELLA

MSAA

AASA/AzSCI and High School

CONTRACT DATES

AZELLA – through June 2026

MSAA – through December 2026

AASA/AzSCI and High School – through June 2027

AZELLA

RFP draft in progress

Does not go through state board

Plan to post this winter

MSAA

Consortium – all partners must agree to content of RFP

Draft almost finalized

Will be presented to AZ State Board of Education (SBE) on September 29

Will request approval to post for bids at the same board meeting

Executive session as the draft is not currently public

Post this fall; evaluate and award this winter

AASA/AZSCI

Statewide stakeholder survey by SBE sometime this month
SBE is interested in educator, parent, and student feedback

Topics to include:

- Adaptive assessment
- Through year assessment
- Reporting
- Assessment system
- Retakes
- What science should include

HIGH SCHOOL

May be separate contract from elementary assessments

Will be nationally recognized high school assessment per
ARS 15-741.02

Must include science and writing in high school

Exploring Grade 9 or Grade 10 option (not Aspire)

Timeline and Key Steps

Activity	Timeline
Initial Board & Stakeholder Survey	<i>August 2025</i>
Extensive Community (Educators, Families, Etc.) Survey	<i>September 2025</i>
Public Comment Period (2 weeks) • Once scope of work is ready for Board approval	<i>Fall 2025</i>
Board Approval of RFP	<i>Winter 2025/2026</i>
Award Contract	<i>Spring 2026</i>

Current AASA and AzSCI contracts end with the Spring 2027 administration



QUESTIONS?

