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ACCESS for ELLs 2.0

All preparation materials and timelines can be accessed via the ACCESS for ELLs 2.0 training course and the checklists on this page.

ACCESS for ELLs 2.0 will include three roles for test preparation and administration: Test Coordinators, Test Administrators, and Technology Coordinators.

Test Coordinators are responsible for the overall coordination of test administration activities. They will coordinate with Data Recognition Corporation (DRC) to set up user accounts within the new WIDA Assessment Management System (WIDA AMS) and set up test administrators in WIDA's Training Course. They will complete the Training Course and verify that Test Administrators and Technology Coordinators have also completed their trainings and checklists.

Test Administrators are responsible for administering ACCESS for ELLs 2.0. They will complete the WIDA Training Course, including review of all applicable Test Administration Manuals and web-based modules. They will complete checklists that will be available through the WIDA Training Course to prepare for test administration activities.

Technology Coordinators are responsible for all technical and system set up for online testing and working with Data Recognition Corporation (DRC) on any local system issues. They will complete web-based trainings and checklists that will be available through the WIDA Assessment Management System (WIDA AMS).

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Test Preparation Resources

Release Date	Communication	Purpose
Updated Fall 2015	ACCESS for ELLs 2.0 Accessibility and Accommodations Guidelines	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To provide recommended guidelines on the accommodations allowed to ELLs with IEP or 504 Plans during either online and paper-based ACCESS for ELLs 2.0 test administration
	ACCESS for ELLs 2.0 Accessibility and Accommodations Descriptions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To provide descriptions of the accommodations, accessibility tools, and test administration procedures that will be available to all ELLs (with or without disabilities) during either online and paper-based ACCESS for ELLs 2.0 test administration
	ACCESS for ELLs 2.0 Accommodations, Accessibility, and Test Administration FAQs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> School teams may use this worksheet to document the ACCESS for ELLs 2.0 accommodations selected for ELLs with IEPs or 504 Plans
	ACCESS for ELLs 2.0 IEP/Multidisciplinary Team Checklist	
Updated Fall 2015	Facilitator Toolkit (downloadable PowerPoints)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To provide updated training resources and templates for local trainers facilitating WIDA professional development
Updated Fall 2015	Test Coordinator Checklist - Online	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To provide a start/finish overview of the required activities for Test Coordinators for online tests This interactive checklist is available in the Training Course by following the embedded link or logging in at the top of this page.

<p>Updated Fall 2015</p>	<p>Test Coordinator Checklist - Paper & Pencil</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To provide a start/finish overview of the required activities for Test Coordinators for paper-based tests • This interactive checklist is available in the Training Course by following the embedded link or logging in at the top of this page.
<p>Friday, April 24, 2015 2:00 pm CT</p>	<p>ACCESS for ELLs 2.0 Live Webinar/Question and Answer Session Webinar recording Q & A document</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To provide Test Coordinators and Test Administrators with information about the transition to the operational test and rollout plans for 2015-16 • To provide information about new ordering procedures and give opportunity for district staff to ask questions
<p>May 2015</p>	<p>Overview of ACCESS for ELLs 2.0 Webinar (pre-recorded webinar)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To explain in detail the changes to expect with ACCESS for ELLs 2.0 for each domain • To show sample test items so end users can better visualize the online test
<p>June 2015</p>	<p>Sample Items for the Public (SIPs) Online Sample Items for the Public ACCESS for ELLs 2.0 Online Sample Items for the Public Instructions ACCESS for ELLs 2.0 Online Sample Items for the Public Screenshots</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To demonstrate sample content that students will encounter on ACCESS for ELLs 2.0
<p>September 4, 2015</p>		<p><i>DRC System Release</i> <u>WIDA Assessment Management System (WIDA AMS)</u> NOW AVAILABLE</p>
<p>September 4, 2015</p>	<p>Training Course (website course requiring log-in)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To provide training for Kindergarten, Alternate ACCESS, 1-12 online test administration, and 1-12 paper test administration. • Note that the Speaking scoring module for the 1-12 paper test will be available in October, as noted below.
<p>September 4, 2015</p>	<p>WIDA Assessment Management System - Account Setup (module)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To provide information on how to set up WIDA AMS accounts for various users and how to update one's own account
<p>September 4, 2015</p>	<p>WIDA Assessment Management System - Test Materials Ordering (module)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To provide step-by-step directions for ordering paper materials (including Large Print, Braille, Kindergarten, and Alternate ACCESS)
<p>September 4, 2015</p>	<p>WIDA Assessment Management System Pre-ID upload (module)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To provide information on how districts or schools may upload a file of student demographic information to be used to create Pre-ID labels
<p>September 4, 2015</p>	<p>WIDA Assessment Management System Documents Download (module)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To provide information on where and how to download resource materials (including software downloads) on WIDA AMS

September 4, 2015	<u>ACCESS for ELLs 2.0 Online Test Administration Manual (O-TAM)</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To provide all procedural information regarding online test administration (including how to order test materials, set up tests, and administer the online test)
September 4, 2015	<u>ACCESS for ELLs 2.0 Paper Test Administration Manual (TAM)</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To provide all procedural information regarding paper test administration (including how to order and distribute materials, how to administer and monitor the test, and how to score the Speaking portion)
September 4, 2015	<u>WIDA Assessment Management System User Guide, Part 1</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To provide instructions on the purpose and use of the WIDA AMS To address tasks associated with pre-test ordering and the pre-ID file
September 22, 2015	<u>WIDA Assessment Management System User Guide, Part 2</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To provide information on WIDA AMS tasks associated with test set up and logistics of testing
September 22, 2015	<u>WIDA Assessment Management System Test Session Creation</u> (module)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To provide information on how to create and revise test sessions (testing groups) and print test tickets for students to use to log-in
September 22, 2015	<u>WIDA Assessment Management System Manage Students</u> (module)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To provide information on how to add additional students to WIDA AMS and how to add or revise accommodations
Wednesday September 23, 2015, 10:30am CT and 1:00pm CT	<u>Test Coordinator Overview Webinar</u> (live webinar, to be recorded) <u>Registration link</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To provide information about Test Coordinator responsibilities and where to access detailed training information To provide an opportunity to ask questions
Thursday September 24, 2015, 10:30am CT and 1:00pm CT <i>This is an encore presentation of the 9/23 webinar to provide maximum opportunities to participate</i>	<u>Test Coordinator Overview Webinar</u> (live webinar, to be recorded) <u>Registration link</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To provide information about Test Coordinator responsibilities and where to access detailed training information To provide an opportunity to ask questions
Wednesday September 30, 2015, 10:30am CT and 1:00pm CT	<u>Test Administrator Overview Webinar</u> (live webinar, to be recorded) <u>Registration link</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To provide information about Test Administrator responsibilities and where to access detailed training information To provide an opportunity to ask questions
October 5, 2015	DRC System Release: INSIGHT Test Engine and Testing Site Manager (TSM) Available	
October 5, 2015	<u>WIDA Assessment Management System Testing Site Manager (TSM)</u> (module)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To provide step-by-step instructions for downloading and configuring the TSM
October 5, 2015	<u>WIDA Assessment Management System Additional Material Ordering</u> (module)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To provide step-by-step directions for ordering additional paper and accommodated materials (in the event of shortages for new students, etc.)
October 5, 2015	<u>WIDA Assessment Management System INSIGHT Test Engine</u> (module)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To provide step-by-step instructions for downloading and configuring the INSIGHT testing software

October 5, 2015	<i>Technology User Guide</i> (document)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To provide information about software, secure browser downloads, and technology preparation needed
October 5, 2015	<i>Test Demos</i> (videos)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To enable students and educators to view a video overview of how students will interact with the operational test items
October 5, 2015	<i>Test Practice</i> (online test items)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To enable students to practice using the online system To help students become familiar with the online test features (e.g. highlighter, writing tools, etc.)
October 5, 2015	<i>Material Receipt</i> (module)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To provide step-by-step instructions for inventorying and sorting paper materials upon receipt.
October 5, 2015	<i>Booklet Labeling and Student Demographic Page Completion</i> (module)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To provide step-by-step instructions for filling in the test booklet demographic page and selecting and applying the appropriate label.
October 5, 2015	<i>Handling Test Materials: Packing and Shipping</i> (module)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To provide step-by-step instructions for inventorying, packaging, applying return labels, and scheduling pick-up of return materials
October 5, 2015	<i>Training Course: ACCESS for ELLs 2.0 Paper Test Speaking Scoring Module & Quiz</i> (website course requiring login)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To provide training on scoring Speaking for the paper 1-12 assessment (Note: completion of this module and quiz will be required for Test Administrators)
Saturday, October 17th, 2015 1:00-4:00pm PT	<i>ACCESS for ELLs 2.0 Test Coordinator and Test Administrator training</i> (WIDA Conference)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To provide optional face-to-face training to Test Administrators for the new paper test and to Test Coordinators for both the online and paper test
October 2015 - April 2016, first Wednesday of each month at 1:00pm CT	<i>ACCESS for ELLs 2.0 Q & A Webinars</i> (live webinars, with questions to be documented and posted to the WIDA website)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To provide additional opportunity for Test Administrators and Test Coordinators to ask questions as they approach their testing window
December 2015		<i>Beginning of operational testing</i> (December 2015 - June 2016, according to each state's operational window)
Early February 2016	<i>WIDA Assessment Management System User Guide, Part 3</i> (document)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To provide instructions on tasks associated with data correction and accessing score reports
February 12, 2016	<i>WIDA Assessment Management System Corrections/Data Validation</i> (module)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To provide step-by-step instructions for editing student demographic and accommodation information and testing codes (absent, etc.) in WIDA AMS after testing has occurred.
February 12, 2016	<i>Accessing Score Reports</i> (module)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To provide information on how to locate, download, and print student reports