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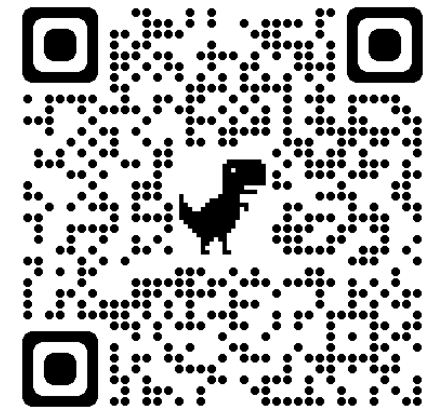
# Next Generation Assessment Meeting

Dec. 18, 2023 | Office of Assessments

- We look forward to speaking and meeting with you today!
- Please be advised that we have turned off your video and audio capabilities to preserve bandwidth. Please feel free to share any ideas or ask any questions by typing them in the chat.
- We will be recording this meeting. The presentation, audio and a transcript will be posted to [the Next Generation Assessment Meetings](#) webpage.
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## Welcome!

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In partnership with key stakeholders, we create a comprehensive educational assessment program that:

- accurately measures student performance;
- produces actionable data; and
- provides tools, guidance and training to empower local education agencies (LEAs) to meet the needs of all learners and make informed decisions.



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*English Language Proficiency, grades K-12*



*General Statewide Assessments  
ELA and Mathematics, grades 3 – high school  
Science, grades 5, 8, and high school biology*



*Alternate ELA and Mathematics, grades 3-8 and 11*



*Alternate Science, grades 5, 8, and high school biology*

## OSSE Office of Assessments

### Statewide Assessments

# 2023-24 Statewide Testing Windows

Assessment	2023-24 Statewide Test Window
<b>NAEP</b> (Selected schools only)	Jan. 29 – March 8, 2024
<b>ACCESS for ELLs</b>	Feb. 12 – March 22, 2024
<b>MSAA and DLM</b>	March 11 – April 26, 2024
<b>DC CAPE</b> DC ELA, DC Math, DC Science	April 1 – May 24, 2024 (April 1 – May 17, 2024: paper accommodation window)

# Agenda

- 2023-24 Statewide Assessment Policy Documents
- 2023-24 Alternate Assessment Processes and Updates
- 2023-24 Test Security Processes and Timelines
- 2023-24 Assessment Administration
  - ACCESS Activities
    - Webinars
  - Multi-State Alternate Assessment (MSAA) and Dynamic Learning Maps (MAPS) Readiness Guides and Training
  - DLM Training
- Staying Connected with the Office of Assessments


# 2023-24 Statewide Assessment Policy Documents

# 2023-24 Policy Documents Now Available

- [2023-24 Statewide Assessments Participation and Performance Policy](#)
- [2023-24 Testing Accommodations Guide \(TAG\)](#)
  - The TAG is updated annually and provides a crosswalk between accessibility features and accommodations that may appear in documentation, such as an individualized education program (IEP), Section 504 plan, or English learner (EL) plan, and how these features may appear in vendor assessment management platforms.
- [2023-24 District of Columbia Test Security Guidelines](#)
  - This document outlines responsibilities of OSSE, LEAs and schools in maintaining test security and test integrity

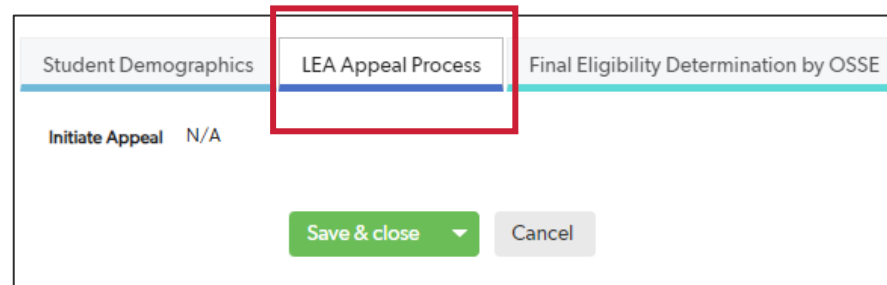
# **2023-24 Alternate Assessment Processes and Updates**

# Alternate Assessment Eligibility Process Timeline

Task	Date(s)	System
<i>Final deadline for LEAs updating alternate assessment eligibility documentation in the Special Programs database for the 2023-24 school year.</i> <b><i>*LEAs should begin this process as soon as school opens*</i></b>	<b>Nov. 13, 2023</b>	<i>Special Programs Database</i>
<i>OSSE sends eligibility determinations to LEAs in the Special Programs database.</i>	<b>Ongoing through Dec. 1, 2023</b>	<i>Special Programs Database</i>
 LEAs may appeal eligibility determinations in MSAA Quickbase and in most cases will need to submit additional evidence that supports the appeal to OSSE in the Special Programs database.	<b>Dec. 1-19, 2023</b>	MSAA QuickBase Special Programs Database
LEAs receive final eligibility determinations from OSSE in the Special Programs database.	<b>Ongoing through Jan. 12, 2024</b>	Special Programs Database

# Alternate Assessment Eligibility Appeals Process

- To appeal a determination:
  - Initiate an appeal in the student's profile in Quickbase



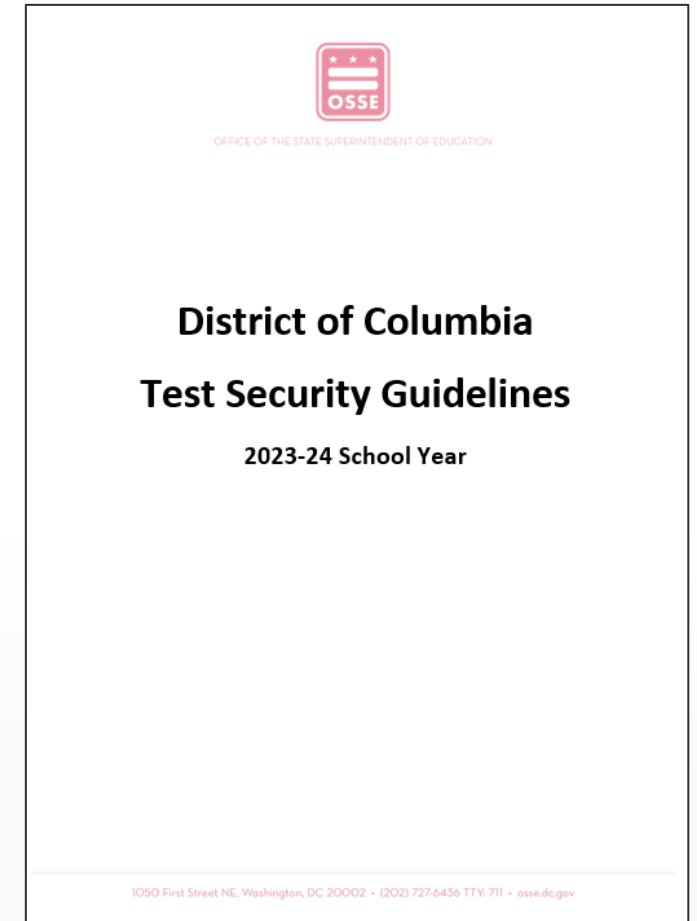
The screenshot shows a web interface with three tabs: "Student Demographics", "LEA Appeal Process", and "Final Eligibility Determination by OSSE". The "LEA Appeal Process" tab is highlighted with a red rectangular box. Below the tabs, there is a section labeled "Initiate Appeal" with the text "N/A" next to it. At the bottom of the interface, there are two buttons: a green "Save & close" button with a dropdown arrow, and a grey "Cancel" button.

- Update the student's information or upload additional supporting evidence
  - Can include a letter justifying student's academic goals

# Test Security Training Updates

# 2023-24 Test Security Guidelines

- OSSE has released the 2023-24 Test Security Guidelines
- 2023-24 Test Security Guidelines are being posted on [OSSE's Test Security webpage](#)
- This document outlines responsibilities of OSSE, LEAs and schools in maintaining test security and test integrity



# Test Security Training Requirements

- Individuals in the following roles must complete OSSE Test Security Training for 2023-24:
  - LEA Assessment Manager
  - LEA ACCESS for ELLs Test Coordinator
  - LEA MSAA/DLM Test Coordinator
  - LEA DC CAPE Test Coordinator
  - Nonpublic School Test Coordinator
- Training options will include live options (in-person or webinar) and asynchronous modules. Both sessions will be the same.
- All individuals must pass the OSSE Test Security Training quiz with a score of at least 80 percent or higher.
- LEA Assessment Managers are responsible for ensuring that all authorized personnel at schools under their LEA are trained in test security policies and procedures.

# Test Security Training Timelines

- OSSE anticipates releasing the asynchronous training via the OSSE Learning Management System (LMS) in early January.
- Live trainings will take place on Dec. 20, 2023 and Jan. 16, 2024
  - Registration for the Jan. 16, 2024 training will be available in the NGA Bulletin.
- LEA Assessment Managers and LEA Test Coordinators must complete OSSE test security training and pass the quiz before submitting school test security plans for spring 2024

# 2023-24 Assessment Administration

# 2023-24 LEA Assessment Training Calendar

- The list of trainings through January is available on the OSSE website and regular updates will appear in the NGA Bulletin and on the website.

## 2023-24 School Year Test Administration Trainings

### Training Resources

The OSSE Office of Assessments will release the Coordinating Statewide Assessments Handbook for the 2023-24 school year. The purpose of this document is to provide an overview of DC statewide summative assessments. It contains general information and additional resources for LEA Assessment Managers to reference while preparing for test administration.



The assessment administration training schedule for each month of the 2023-24 school year administration season is linked below.

- December 2023
  - Thurs., Dec. 14, 2023, 1 – 3 p.m., online
    - **DC CAPE LEA Test Coordinator Training with ADAM (option 1 of 2)**, register in Learning Management System beginning Dec. 4, 2023
  - Wed., Dec. 20, 2023, 10 a.m. – 12:00 p.m., online
    - Test Security Training, join us using [this Teams meeting link](#).

## **ACCESS for ELLs Activities**

# 2023-24 ACCESS for ELLs Activities

- **New for 2023-24:** OSSE has developed a two-page ACCESS Readiness Guide with high-level activities for each month. The guide is posted [on OSSE's website](#).

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<b>2023-24 ACCESS for ELLs (ACCESS) Readiness Guide</b> The following are recommended steps to ensure a successful ACCESS administration in spring 2024.	
<b>November - December</b>  Pre-ID Rostering Complete Self-Paced Trainings	<b>Complete ACCESS Pre-ID Roster in Quickbase: Nov. 10 – Dec. 13</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <a href="#">Pre-ID Assessment Quickbase application</a> opens to LEAs on Nov. 10.</li><li>• Batch uploads using the template must be uploaded by Dec. 6.</li><li>• Manual uploads must be completed by Dec. 13.</li></ul>
	<b>Complete Required and Recommended Training in <a href="#">WIDA Secure Portal</a></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Information on required and recommended trainings for new and returning Test Coordinators and Test Administrators can be found on OSSE's website.</li></ul> <b>Review ACCESS for ELLs Checklists and Testing Manuals</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Test Administration Manuals are available on the WIDA Secure Portal.</li><li>• Checklists available on <a href="#">DC's WIDA Member Page</a> for before, during and after testing activities for Online ACCESS for ELLs and Paper ACCESS for ELLs.</li></ul> <b>Create Staff User Accounts in the WIDA Secure Portal</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• LEA ACCESS Test Coordinators are responsible for creating user accounts for School Test Coordinators and Test Administrators.</li></ul>
	<b>Participate in OSSE-sponsored ACCESS Trainings (optional, but highly recommended)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• LEA/school Coordinators and Test Administrators should attend the OSSE ACCESS Test Coordinator training and/or OSSE ACCESS Test Administrator Training. Training details and registration links can be found on the Statewide Assessment Training Schedule located on the <a href="#">OSSE Test Coordinator page</a>.</li></ul>

# 2023-24 ACCESS Training Requirements

- WIDA has made substantial changes to three ACCESS training courses
  - Online ACCESS for ELLs: Administration
  - Paper ACCESS for ELLs: Administration
  - Alternate ACCESS: Administration and Scoring
- OSSE requires that all ACCESS Test Coordinators and Test Administrators recertify for applicable assessments in the 2023-24 school year, which includes passing the Certification Quiz with a score of 80 percent or higher
  - Recertification date must be **on or after Sept. 1, 2023** for the courses listed above
- Kindergarten ACCESS recertification:
  - Required for Test Administrators
  - Recommended for Test Coordinators

# 2023-24 ACCESS Training Requirements

All training courses are accessed through the [WIDA Secure Portal](#)

Course	Test Coordinators	Test Administrators
Online ACCESS for ELLs: Administration	Required	Required
Paper ACCESS for ELLs: Administration	Required	Required, as applicable
Alternate ACCESS: Administration and Scoring	Required	Required, as applicable
Kindergarten ACCESS for ELLs: Administration and Scoring	Recommended	Required, as applicable
Speaking for Grades 1-5: Scoring ACCESS Paper and WIDA Screener	Recommended	Required, as applicable
Speaking for Grades 6-12: Scoring ACCESS Paper and WIDA Screener	Recommended	Required, as applicable

# 2023-24 ACCESS for ELLs Training Webinars


- WIDA ACCESS for ELLs Test Coordinator Training, Jan. 8 from 1 – 2:30 p.m.
  - Register using [this form](#) for the Test Coordinator Training
- WIDA ACCESS for ELLs Online Test Administrator Training, Jan. 9 from 1 – 2:30 p.m.
  - Register using [this form](#) for the Online Test Administrator Training
- Only **new** Test Coordinators or Online Test Administrators should attend
  - Registration is limited to 100 participants
    - One school representative may register and project the webinar for colleagues
  - Trainings will be recorded and posted on the WIDA Secure Portal


# MSAA and DLM Updates

# MSAA and DLM Readiness Guides

**New for 2023-24:** OSSE has developed a two-page MSAA and DLM Readiness Guide with high-level activities for each month

- Created in response to stakeholder feedback
- Will be shared in NGA bulletin and posted on OSSE website in December

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msaa  
Multi-State Alternate Assessment


### 2024 Multi-State Alternate Assessment (MSAA) Readiness Guide

The following are recommended steps to ensure a successful MSAA administration in spring 2024.

January	Jan. 5	<b>Alternate Eligibility Determinations Finalized</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>The local education agency (LEA) will receive final eligibility determinations from OSSE in the Special Programs database.</li></ul>
		<b>MSAA Student Registration Begins</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Registration for eligible students in grades 3-8 will be completed by OSSE and should be verified/adjusted by LEAs. High school registration should be completed in <a href="#">Kite Educator Portal</a> by the LEA. Student registration should align to the <a href="#">2023-24 OSSE Statewide Assessments Participation and Performance Policy</a>.</li></ul>
		<b>Participate in OSSE-sponsored MSAA Training (optional, but highly recommended)</b>

MSAA Test Coordinator training on links can be found on the [or page](#).

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DYNAMIC  
LEARNING MAPS

### 2024 Dynamic Learning Maps (DLM) Readiness Guide

The following are recommended steps to ensure a successful DLM administration in spring 2024.

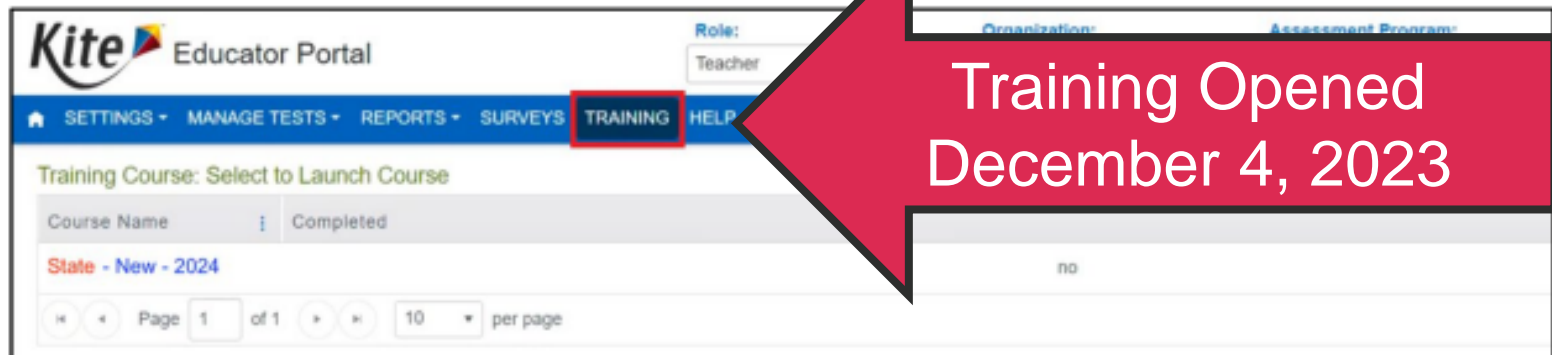
January	Jan. 5	<b>Alternate Eligibility Determinations Finalized</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>The local education agency (LEA) will receive final eligibility determinations from OSSE in the Special Programs database.</li></ul>
		<b>DLM Student Registration Begins</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Registration for eligible students in grades 3-8 will be completed by OSSE and should be verified/adjusted by LEAs. High school registration should be completed in <a href="#">Kite Educator Portal</a> by the LEA. Student registration should align to the <a href="#">2023-24 OSSE Statewide Assessments Participation and Performance Policy</a>.</li></ul>
		<b>Participate in OSSE-sponsored DLM Training (optional, but highly recommended)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>LEA/school Coordinators and Test Administrators should attend the OSSE DLM Test Coordinator training and/or OSSE DLM Test Administrator Training. Training details and registration links can be found on the <a href="#">Statewide Assessment Training Schedule</a> located on the <a href="#">OSSE Test Coordinator page</a>.</li></ul>
		<b>DLM Student Registration Finalized</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>High school registration should be completed in <a href="#">Kite Educator Portal</a> by the LEA. Registration for eligible students in grades 3-8 was completed by OSSE and should be verified/adjusted by LEAs. Student</li></ul>

# DLM Required Test Administrator Training

**New for 2023-24:** Educators with the Teacher role will need to access the DLM Required Test Administrator Training in the training section of Kite Educator Portal for the 2023-2024 school year.

- Users who have a Kite account and the “Teacher” role assigned will be automatically enrolled in the training and can access the training via the training tab.
  - Newly created accounts will be enrolled in the training within about 30 minutes after their accounts are activated.
- New Test Administrators are still expected to pass each of the four modules with a score of 80 percent or higher.
  - Returning Test Administrators are still expected to pass one module with a score of 80 percent or higher.

More information can be found in the *Guide to DLM Required Test Administrator Training for Year-End Model States* located on the [DC DLM page](#).



# Staying Connected to the OSSE Office of Assessments

# Stay Connected with Assessments

- Become a part of our email list! Register in [IDS](#) to receive the most current updates and training notifications, as well as our NGA Bulletin—a regularly distributed e-newsletter. Don't forget you can sign up using [the link](#) too.
- Additional roles, such as a MSAA coordinator, ACCESS for ELLs Coordinator and Assessment point of contact (PoC), may be added to [IDS](#) too.
- Update contact information by **as soon as possible** by using [the link](#) found here.

# Technical Assistance Bookings

- LEA-level and nonpublic school assessment points of contact can sign up to meet with the OSSE Office of Assessment for support through office hours.
- Office hours topics include:
  - ACCESS for ELLs Support
  - Dynamic Learning Maps (DLM) Support
  - General OSSE Assessment Policy
  - Multi-State Alternate Assessment (MSAA) Support
  - National Assessment for Educational Progress (NAEP) Support
  - DC CAPE Administration & Policy
  - DC CAPE Assessment Management (ADAM) Support (ELA, Math, & Science)
  - Test Security
- Individuals assigned as LEA Assessment Managers, LEA Test Coordinators, and/or Nonpublic School Test Coordinators can [sign up for Office Hours here](#).
- When signing up to meet, please include the specific topics and/or questions that you would like to discuss so that we can come prepared to support.

# OSSE Assessment Ambassador Support

- Regular, ongoing support for LEAs identified by OSSE
  - Transition of the 2023 assessment staff
  - Failure to submit a timely school test security plan (STSP) for one or more 2023 statewide assessments
  - Test security incidents during 2023 assessment administration
  - Failure to follow the chain of custody protocols for secure materials during 2023 assessment administration
- LEAs will establish a plan of action for preparing for and administration of spring 2024 assessments.
- OSSE Assessment Ambassadors will contact LEAs in early 2024 to introduce themselves and begin planning.

# Educator Recruitment

OSSE is currently recruiting educators to apply for the opportunity to participate in test development events for DC Comprehensive Assessments of Progress in Education (DC CAPE).

- Content review
- Bias & sensitivity review
- Data review

Educators with a range of assessment and curriculum experience, content expertise and diversity, equity and inclusion (DEI) training are welcome to apply, and all applicants should meet the following qualifications:






- Currently employed as a teacher or academic leader for grades 3 through 12 at a District of Columbia public or public charter school;
- Experience teaching diverse populations and/or students with special needs;
- Expertise in ELA, mathematics, or science with a deep understanding of the Common Core State Standards or Next Generation Science Standards;
- Three years of experience as a teacher and/or academic leader; and
- Able to commit three to 10 school days a year to attend test development events.

If you are interested in participating and for more detailed information, please complete the application [here](#) as soon as possible, to be eligible for DC CAPE development events. For additional questions, please contact Yolanda Barber at [Yolanda.Barber@dc.gov](mailto:Yolanda.Barber@dc.gov).

# Assessment Literacy

- **Goal:** This professional development opportunity will advance understanding of how assessment design, implementation and results impact instructional decisions.
- **How:** The course will be listed within OSSE's Professional Learning catalogue ([Learning Management System](#)) and offered online through asynchronous modules.

Modules 1-4
1.1 Introductory Level: The Fundamentals of Assessment
1.2 Intermediate Level: Principles of Assessment Design and Use
1.3 Advanced Level, Part 1: Equity and Innovation in Assessment
1.4 Advanced Level, Part 2: Using Data from Assessments

Area	Topic	Point of Contact
<b>Assessment Policy</b>	Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) and General Assessment Policy	<b>Stephanie Snyder</b> , Director of Assessments <a href="mailto:Stephanie.Snyder@dc.gov">Stephanie.Snyder@dc.gov</a>
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# Thank You!