KIDS 2014-2015 TEST Overview

Introduction

This document contains specific information in regards to the relationship between the different assessments available and the submission of TEST records to the Kansas Individual Data on Students (KIDS) System. The TEST Collection focuses on gathering data for state assessments.

Assessments

Practice Assessments

TEST records are <u>not</u> needed for students taking the CETE practice assessments. Practice assessments are available for all students. Anyone accessing a practice test will use the same user name and password and the results are not stored.

Formative Assessments

TEST records are <u>not</u> needed for students taking the CETE formative assessments. However, STCO records <u>are</u> required for teachers to access the student rosters in the Educator Portal in KITE to assign students to formative assessments. Each student uses his/her own user name and password and the results are stored.

Interim Assessments

Interim assessments are not available for the 2014-2015 school year.

DLM Assessments

DLM assessment is only available for Math, English Language Arts, and Science subject areas. TEST records are required for DLM assessments with a value of 3=DLM/Alternate. A non-blank value must be entered in D33: Primary Disability Code.

In order to fill out the First Contact Survey needed for the DLM Assessment, one of the following is <u>required</u> to be submitted, <u>as well as</u>, a TEST Record when DLM/Alternate Assessment is chosen:

1. An STCO record tying the student being assessed to a teacher and a course, or,
2. The DLM proctor fields must contain a licensed educator with an Educator ID with an academic connection to the student. See the Proctor Fields section of the KIDS 2014-2015 Submission Details Document: TEST.
   http://community.ksde.org/LinkClick.aspx?fileticket=hRfkhb7jlgY%3d&tabid=2508&mid=12821

Alternate Assessment

History/Gov will still give the old Alternate Assessment. Only TEST records are required for the Alternate Assessment.

Assessments, continued

Break KITE Day
For participation in Break KITE day, a TEST record should be submitted to the KIDS Collection System for all students who will take the summative assessments later in the school year. A valid value must be entered in all of the assessments fields on the TEST record. You have the option of sending records of "0" or you may choose to fill in the test option. "Blank" is no longer an allowable value in any of the assessment fields
*Break KITE Day was held October 28, 2014.

**A second Break KITE Day is planned in January of 2015. Details to come at a later date.

Summative State Assessments
A TEST record is required for summative assessments. An STCO record is not required.

English Language Arts (ELA) and Math Assessments
For the 2014-2015 school year, grades 3-8, and 10 will take the ELA and math assessments. The only high school students required to be assessed are 10th grade students.

Science Assessment
For the 2014-2015 year, students in grades 4, 7, and 11 will take the science assessment. The only high school students required to be assessed are 11th grade students. There is only one Science assessment this year. We no longer separate high school into Life Science and Physical Science.

History/Government Assessment
For the 2014-2015 year, students in grades 6, 8, and 11 will be taking the History/Government field test developed by KAP (Kansas Assessment Program). There is only one State History/Gov assessment this year. We no longer separate high school into World Focus and U.S. Focus.

Career Pathways Assessment System (cPass)
A TEST record is required for cPass; however an STCO record is not required. Additionally, the Proctor fields (D82: CTE cPass Proctor ID and D83: CTE cPass Proctor Name) will not be used.

KELPA
KELPA will not be administered by CETE for 2014-2015. The indication of KELPA on a TEST record will not generate a test ticket in KITE. Indication of KELPA on a TEST record is required for the results of a student's KELPA to be used.

KWIET
The Kansas Writing Instruction and Evaluation Tool (KWIET) is not available for the 2014-2015 school year.

Documents

Consult the following documents for additional information when preparing your TEST submissions. The most recent version of all documents may be found on the KIDS project website (http://www.ksde.org/kids) under the "Documents" tab.

- **KIDS 2014-2015 File Specifications Document:** This document serves as the data dictionary for all data elements collected through the KIDS Collection System.
- **KIDS 2014-2015 User's Guide:** This document is the comprehensive manual of submitting and processing student records in the KIDS Collection System. Please note: this manual does not contain specific information on each record type.
- **KIDS 2014-2015 Submission Details Document: TEST:** This document contains information specific to the submission of TEST Records to the KIDS System.
- **KIDS 2014-2015 Submission Details Document: STCO:** This document contains information specific to the submission of STCO Records to the KIDS System.
- **Guidelines for Determining KIDS Collection Building Identifier:** This document reviews the guidelines for determining the Accountability School when more than one school provides education services to a student.
- **2014-2015 Kansas Assessments Overview:** This document contains important dates regarding state assessments. This document may be found on the KSDE website (http://www.ksde.org) under "Assessments".
- **KSDE Accommodations Manual:** This document contains a wide variety of general assessment information including timelines, SC codes, and accommodations. This document is also on the KSDE website under "Assessments."

Help Resources

In preparing your TEST submissions, you may need reporting guidance or technical assistance. One or more of the following help resources may be useful:

- KIDS Technical Support: KSDE Helpdesk 785-296-7935 or kids@ksde.org
- Accountability Helpdesk: 785-296-2261 or mo@ksde.org
- Assessments: Lee Jones at ljones@ksde.org
- KELPA: Phyllis Farrar at pfarrar@ksde.org
- DLM: Deborah Matthews at dmatthews@ksde.org
- CETE assistance: ksassessments.org or email cete@ku.edu
- For training in the KIDS system: visit the KIDS project website at www.ksde.org/kids and go to the "Training" tab.