

Fact Sheet for Test Coordinators

Comparing the Portfolio-Based Ohio Alternate Assessment for Students With Disabilities (AASWD) to the New Ohio Alternate Assessment for Students with Significant Cognitive Disabilities (AASCD) – Spring 2013

The AASCD, which will be administered for the first time in spring 2013, is designed to allow students to demonstrate their knowledge and skills as they relate to the Common Core State Standards and the Ohio Revised Academic Content Standards. Key aspects of the AASCD include the following:

- The content of the AASCD is appropriately rigorous and aligned to grade-level content standards.
- Students respond to task/items or prompts.
- Scores will appropriately reflect student knowledge and skills and will provide information that allows
 educators to build and maintain instruction aligned with academic expectations.

The chart below highlights differences between the old portfolio assessment and the new AASCD for Test Coordinators. This table serves as a high-level overview of upcoming changes. More specific information regarding each activity, as well as roles and responsibilities, will be disseminated over the next few months.

Test Activity	SWD Portfolio (old)	AASCD (new)
Administering the Alternate Assessment	Teachers created a portfolio that included a variety of information, such as teacher data sheets, student work and letter(s) from family. The portfolio was a collection of evidence that measured a student's performance aligned to a grade level of Ohio's Academic Content Standards.	Teachers or test administrators will administer the assessment to students based on scripted performance items/tasks in each content area and grade/grade bands. The AASCD is an individually administered student performance assessment aligned to Ohio's Academic Content Standards – Extended (OACS-E). It tests discrete academic skills.
Grades	Students were assessed according to their enrolled grade. The portfolio was administered to grades 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, and OGT.	Students will be assessed in the grade band that corresponds with their enrolled grade. The AASCD will be administered to grade bands 3–5 and 6–8 and OGT. All students will take ELA and math. Students in grades 5 and 8 will also take science. OGT students will also take science and social studies.

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	DTCs accessed TIDE for the AASWD	DTCs will access TIDE for the AASCD
	at <u>www.ohtide.org</u> .	through the Ohio Alternate
		Assessment Portal. The web address
		for the Portal is
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	Pre-ID students prior to the	Due ID attendants union to the
	assessment	 Pre-ID students prior to the assessment
		Pre-ID new students who enter
		the district after the on-time
		window and are eligible for the
		AASCD
	 Order on-time and additional 	
	materials	 Identify the number of students
		who will be taking the AASCD
		and the number of teachers
		administering the AASCD in
		each grade band
	Update student demographic	Order additional materials
	data during the record change	Update student demographic
	window	data
		 Create user accounts for other
		district- and school-level users
	 Invalidate test scores 	Invalidate test scores and reset
		tests
	 File appeals and receive 	 Obtain information on which
	appeal results	students will need a second
		rater

 1 TIDE (<u>www.ohtide.org</u>) will remain active for the OGT, OAA and OTELA administrations. The existing DTC logins and passwords for OGT, OAA and OTELA TIDE will not change.

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TIDE Login ¹	Each district has one TIDE login for all administrations. This login is different from the DTC login for the Ohio Online Assessment Reporting System (OOARS). OAA-AASWD and OGT-AASWD were	Each DTC will have a new login specific to the Ohio Alternate Assessment Portal, which will serve as a common login page for all sites associated with online assessments (TIDE for AASCD, Data Entry Interface [DEI], Reporting for AASCD).
	listed as separate administrations, and each task had to be completed for each separate administration.	This portal will be your source for information about the AASCD. The portal will contain icons that will link you directly to the TIDE, DEI and Reporting Systems.
Pre-ID	The pre-identification of students in TIDE was encouraged but optional. Pre-identified students received Pre-ID labels. Districts used the Ohio Record Layout Description for Student Pre-Identification File Layout for Pre-ID files.	All students who take the AASCD must be pre-identified in TIDE. Pre-identifying a student in TIDE adds his or her name to the list of students eligible for the AASCD in the Online Data Entry Interface System. Districts will continue to use the Ohio Record Layout Description for Student Pre-Identification File Layout for Pre-ID files.
		Please note: All students taking the AASCD must have an IEP and an SSID.
Materials Needed to Administer the Alternate Assessment	One Collection of Evidence Binder Kit was needed per student. The kit was appropriate for the student's grade level.	Each teacher or test administrator will need access to one TA Kit per grade band that he or she will administer. The TA Kit will be used to administer the AASCD to multiple students. TA Kits will be available for grade bands 3–5 and 6–8 and OGT. The TA Kit will contain all the print material necessary to administer the AASCD, including the test booklets (which contain the script and scoring instructions), print manipulatives and reading passage booklets. Note: TAs may need to gather a small number of classroom materials for the assessment; TAs will be provided a list

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Ordering On-Time	During the on-time order window,	During the on-time order and Pre-ID
Materials	DTCs entered the number of	window (November 1–30, 2012), DTCs
	Collection of Evidence Binder Kits	will enter the number of students taking
	needed for the administration.	the AASCD per grade band and the
		number of teachers administering the
		AASCD, and they will also pre-identify
		students taking the AASCD. This
		information will be used to determine
		and ship the appropriate number of TA
		Kits for each school building.
Receiving Materials	OAA-AASWD materials were shipped	OAA-AASCD and OGT-AASCD
	by Pearson, and	materials will be packaged together
	OGT-AASWD materials were shipped	and shipped by Data Recognition
	by Data Recognition Corporation	Corporation (DRC).
	(DRC).	
	Materials were due in district in early	On-time materials will be due in district
	January and were packaged by	on February 11, 2013, and will be
	school and shipped to the district.	packaged by school and shipped to the
	concer and empped to the district.	district.
Ship To Address	DTCs could designate different	Only one shipping address will be
	shipping addresses for	permitted for the AASCD. TIDE will be
	OAA-AASWD and OGT-AASWD	pre-populated with the shipping
	materials.	address listed from the Spring 2012
		OAA-AASWD. Districts will have the
		opportunity to change their shipping
		addresses during the on-time order
		window (November 1–30, 2012) by
		contacting the Ohio Help Desk.
Administration Window	The collection of evidence began with	For spring 2013, the AASCD must be
	the start of the school year. The	administered and scores must be
	Collection of Evidence Binder was	submitted online February 25–March
	completed by the beginning of March.	29, 2013.
Technology Requirement	TIDE and the Ohio Online	In order to use the Online Data Entry
	Assessment Reporting System	Interface, installation of the Mozilla
	(OOARS) could be accessed from	Firefox browser is required. The
	Internet Explorer, Safari or Mozilla	installation of a secure browser is not
	Firefox.	required for the AASCD. The Ohio
		Alternate Assessment Portal, TIDE and
		the Online Reporting System can be
		accessed from Internet Explorer, Safari
Recording Student	Test administrators collected evidence	or Mozilla Firefox. Test administrators will submit student
Scores	for the binder and completed the	responses in the Online Data Entry
000163	Collection of Evidence Student	Interface, which is accessible through
	Answer Document (COESAD).	the online portal.
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Scoring	The collections of evidence were scored by the test contractor's trained scorers in a central location.	The test administrator will score student responses throughout the administration based on the accuracy of each response.
		A sample of student administrations will require a second rater. The second rater observes the administration and independently scores the student's responses. Second raters will enter their scores in the Online Data Entry Interface.
Returning Materials	Scorable OAA-AASWD materials were returned to Pearson. Scorable OGT-AASWD materials were returned to DRC.	There will be no scorable answer documents for the AASCD, as all scores will be entered via the Online Data Entry Interface. DTCs will return all secure nonscorable materials from the TA kits for both OAA-AASCD and OGT-AASCD to DRC by April 5, 2013.
Reporting	SWD scores were reported within 60 days of the scorable materials return deadline. Districts received printed district, school and family reports.	Scores for the Spring 2013 AASCD will be reported on June 15, 2013. (Starting with the Spring 2014 administration, scores will be available immediately after submission.) Districts will receive printed family reports on July 19, 2013.

Additional Questions?

For questions regarding the Ohio Alternate Assessment Portal, TIDE, the pre-identification of students, ordering and returning materials, or reporting, please contact the Ohio Help Desk at 877-231-7809 or OHHelpDesk@air.org.

For questions regarding AASCD policies, please contact Andrew Hinkle with the Office for Exceptional Children at the Ohio Department of Education at 614-466-0223.

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