



# Alt-OELPA Results and Information on English Learners for School Year 2023-2024

The results of the 2023 [Alternate Ohio English Language Proficiency Assessment \(Alt-OELPA\)](#) are scheduled to be available Oct. 23, 2023. Districts test coordinators will be notified by email when students' results are available in the [Centralized Reporting System](#). In subsequent years, Alt-OELPA results are planned to be reported in May following the test window.

For the 2023-2024 school year only, the Ohio Department of Education provides the following information to assist Ohio schools enrolling English learners who were administered the 2023 Alt-OELPA.

- 1. English learner reclassification and monitoring.** English learners who were administered the 2023 Alt-OELPA retain their English learner classification as the 2023-2024 school year begins. When students' Alt-OELPA results are available, districts and schools will [reclassify and monitor English learners](#) who earn an overall level of *Proficient*. Students with *Emerging* or *Progressing* proficiency continue as English learners.
- 2. EMIS codes for English Learner Status Element.** Districts and schools enrolling English learners who were administered the 2023 Alt-OELPA should continue to code the students in the Education Management Information System (EMIS) as English learners with the appropriate code. Districts and schools should update the English Learner Status Element (FD170) when Alt-OELPA results are reported. See [EMIS Manual, Section 2.5 Student Attributes - Effective Date Record](#) for reporting instructions.
- 3. Program placement.** Districts and schools should continue to provide the English language development program(s) and services to all students who took the 2023 Alt-OELPA as the 2023-2024 school year begins. When Alt-OELPA results are available, districts and schools should review program placement and language support services based on the results.
- 4. Assessment accommodations for English learners.** Students who took the 2023 Alt-OELPA remain eligible for English learner assessment accommodations as the 2023-2024 school year begins. Any students who are reclassified (exited) out of English learner status based on 2023 Alt-OELPA results no longer will be eligible for assessment accommodations for English learners. See Section 2.6.4 of the [Ohio Accessibility Manual for Ohio's State Tests](#) for more information about accommodations for English learners participating in Ohio's State Tests. While students no longer may be eligible for English learner accommodations, they likely will remain eligible for assessment accommodations for students with disabilities.

Please contact the Lau Resource Center at (614) 466-4109 or [lau@education.ohio.gov](mailto:lau@education.ohio.gov) with questions about supporting English learners and the Office of Assessment at (614) 466-1317 or [statetests@education.ohio.gov](mailto:statetests@education.ohio.gov) with questions about Ohio's English language proficiency assessments and assessment accommodations. Please consult with your districts or school's EMIS coordinator or your local Information Technology Center for [help with EMIS reporting](#).