Chartered nonpublic student identifiers for state tests

Students who attend chartered nonpublic schools and do not have a Statewide Student Identifier (SSID) must enter a Student ID in order to participate in the following state tests: Ohio’s State Tests, Alternate Assessment for Students with Significant Cognitive Disabilities and Ohio’s English Language Proficiency Assessment.

In fall 2014, the department assigned a four-letter code to each nonpublic school. Your school’s code is in the Nonpublic School Codes Excel spreadsheet located on the Documents and Forms webpage. Your school was responsible for assigning the four-letter code followed by five numbers to all of your students participating in the state tests. Your school should have kept a record of the Student ID for each student who participated in previous year’s tests. You will use the same Student ID for those students this year and for future administrations.

These Student IDs are used for the purposes of tracking and matching test records and do not replace the official SSID. Please note that you may have chartered nonpublic school students who are participating in a scholarship program and already have assigned SSIDs. You must use those SSIDs for all statewide testing.

Test coordinators or their designees are responsible for pre-identifying participating students for both paper and online testing. For the new state tests, test coordinators will pre-identify students in TIDE for online administrations. Schools will use the new Ohio Student Pre-Identification Layout for these tests. If you need assistance accessing the TIDE system or uploading Pre-ID data file, please contact the Ohio Help Desk at 877-231-7809.

If you need additional assistance assigning Student IDs, please contact the Office of Curriculum and Assessment at 614-466-1317.