



Title III/ESOL Update

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Title III/English for Speakers of Other
Languages (ESOL)



2023-2024 Webinar Schedule



- September 12
- October 10
- November 7
- January 9
- February 13
- April 9
- May 14

Webinars will begin at 9:05 a.m.

Register @ www.ksdetasn.org

Any links referenced during the webinar will be included, along with the Zoom link.

Updates will be recorded and available on the TASN website.

Agenda



- Regulations Changes – Added Endorsements
- Student Enrollment During the School Year
- English Language Proficiency Assessments in Kansas
 - KELPA
 - Kansas WIDA Alternate ACCESS English Language Proficiency (ELP) Assessment
- Additional Training Opportunities
- Reminders

Regulations Changes



English Speakers of Other Languages Endorsement

*The Kansas State Board of Education on February 14, 2023
voted to approve a set of pending regulations regarding licensure.

When will changes take effect?



- Estimated implementation date: **Not earlier than July 1, 2024.**
 - *A transition period* will exist to allow for creation of the professional learning component and assessment of the professional learning component.
 - Endorsements may be added by testing during the transition period. *If the content exam is passed and application made to Teacher Licensure on or before June 30, 2024, the endorsement may be added to a license by passing the content exam only.*
- Additional information will be communicated as it is received from Teacher Licensure.
- www.ets.org; English to Speakers of Other Languages Praxis test.

Student Enrollment During the School Year

Processes and Procedures



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- Every student new to the district completes the Home Language Survey.
- Students with a language other than English on question(s) 1-4, should be screened using a Kansas approved screener within two weeks of enrollment.
 - PK-using the Pre-LAS or Pre-IPT.
 - K-12-using the KELPA screener. Reminder there is a pre-screen option on page 15 of the KELPA Screener Manual. This is not a secure document.
https://ksassessments.org/sites/default/files/documents/KELPA/KELPA_Screener_Manual.pdf



Processes and Procedures Continued

- If a student scores **proficient**, enter test name, test date, and result on the Individual Learning Plan and file for auditing purposes.
- If a student scores **not-proficient**, complete parent notification, an Individual Learning Plan, the EL Contact Time Calculator, and Teacher/Para Meeting Documentation once service type and schedule is determined.
- Students enrolling in Kansas schools and qualifying for ESOL services through March 8 are required to take the KELPA or Kansas WIDA Alternate ACCESS Assessment.
- Should a student enroll at the close of the testing window, please call Twyla Sprouse @ 785-296-5674.



English Language Proficiency Assessments in Kansas

KELPA & WIDA Alternate ACCESS (New in 2023-2024)



Acronyms



- ACCESS – Collective name for WIDA’s suite of summative English Language Proficiency Assessments
- DLM – Dynamic Learning Maps
- DRC – Data Recognition Corporation
- DTC – District Test Coordinator
- ELP – English Language Proficiency Assessment
- KELPA – Kansas English Language Proficiency Assessment
- TA – Test Administrator
- WIDA – World Class Instructional Design and Assessment
- WIDA AMS – WIDA Assessment Management System

KELPA

Kansas English Language Proficiency Assessment



2024 KELPA Overview



- Test Design
 - Aligns with the Kansas EL standards, Board approved (September 2018)
 - Fixed form, 4 test sessions (domain specific)
 - Tested Domains: Reading, Writing, Listening, Speaking
 - When administering the assessment, you may give the domains in any order.
 - Grade Band Tests: K, 1, 2-3, 4-5, 6-8, 9-12

KELPA Testing and Scoring Windows



- 2024 KELPA Testing Window
January 29 – March 8
- 2024 KELPA Scoring Window
January 29 – March 29

Hand-scoring the speaking and writing items will be completed in Kite Scoring Portal this year. There is a video that demonstrates this process located [here](#). Please see the KELPA Examiner's Manual and KELPA Scoring Manual for more information.

Grade K and Grade 1 Writing



- For some questions, students respond directly on the computer. These questions are machine scored. Other answers are written in a student test booklet and are human scored.
 - The test booklets will need to be retrieved from the Help tab in Educator Portal prior to testing.
- The Test Administration and Scoring Directions documents provide further guidance and include the student test booklets.

Monitored and Transitional ESOL students



- Students on monitored and transitional status do not take the KELPA.
- If you have trouble uploading TEST records to KIDS for monitored and transitional status students, it is because KSDE will not allow those students to be signed up for the KELPA assessment.

KELPA Administration/Scoring



- Each district has the flexibility to determine when you will **administer** the KELPA assessment during the statewide window.
- A **licensed educator** who is employed by the school district should administer the assessment.
- A **para**, under the direction of a licensed educator, may **proctor** the KELPA assessment if they have gone through the required Test Security and Ethics training.
- Each district has the flexibility to determine how you will **score** the assessment items in writing and speaking. However, **all items must be scored by a licensed educator** who is employed by the school district.

Test Proctor Responsibilities



- Must complete Security & Ethics training and sign agreement.
- Follow all test procedures.
- Ensure students are taking their own test.
- Monitor testing environment.
- Report any breach of test security to your building test coordinator.

KELPA Materials and Resources



Location: [KAP Website](#)

- KELPA Examiner's Manual
- KELPA Scoring Manual
- Kite Student Portal Manual for Test Administrators
- Practice Test Guide for Educators
- **KELPA Training PowerPoint**
(title states DTCs but is for **ALL**)

Location: [Kite Educator Portal Help Tab \(Secure\)](#)

- KELPA Scoring Rubrics
- Test Administration and Scoring Directions for Writing (Grade-bands)
- Test Administration and Scoring Directions for Speaking (All grades)
- Rater Training Materials
 - KELPA Rater Training Materials for Writing (Grade-band specific)
 - KELPA Rater Training Materials for Speaking (Grade-band specific)

Prohibited Practices for KELPA



- In general, unless directly specified by the *KELPA Test Administration and Scoring Directions*, reading any text to students (including isolated words) in a KELPA domain-assessment is prohibited. Violations will result in the student being counted as not tested.
- Passages, items, response choices, or labels may **not** be translated into a student's first language or any language.
- Teachers and students may **not** bring pre-generated organizers, journals, logs, or notes into a test session. Students may create notes during a test session but are not required and should not be prompted to do so.

Accommodations for KELPA



- PNP must be complete before testing window opens.
- Accommodations must be documented on the student's Individualized Education Program (IEP), 504, or Individualized Learning Plan (ILP).
- Spanish translations are *not* included in KELPA.

Stay Informed!



Although you may not have a student participating in the alternate ELP assessment this school year, please make note of the information to stay up-to-date on federal requirements.

WIDA Alternate ACCESS



Kansas' Alternate English Language Proficiency
Assessment (New in 2023-2024)

WIDA Alternate ACCESS



- Federal requirement to have an alternate ELP assessment.
- English Learners in Kansas with a most significant cognitive disability.
- Use the Kansas WIDA Alternate ACCESS Decision Tree and the Rubric for Determining Student Eligibility for the Kansas Alternate Assessment (DLM).
- Grades K-12.
- Paper-pencil assessment.
- Test window is January 29-March 8, 2024.

DRC INSIGHT/WIDA AMS Portal



- District Test Coordinators are primary users assigned accounts in the DRC INSIGHT/WIDA AMS portal.
- Separate account and log in credentials from WIDA Secure Portal.
- Need account help or want to add a **district** staff member? Contact Twyla Sprouse.
- Order materials.
 - Initial ordering deadline was Friday, December 15th.
 - Next order window opens January 22nd. Mark your calendars!

DRC INSIGHT/WIDA AMS



- Student demographics must be uploaded/added in WIDA AMS even if the initial material order deadline was missed. Available 1/22/2024.
- If the December 15th material order deadline was missed, a pre-ID label will NOT be sent with the test materials. When entering student information in the Student Response Booklet:
 - **Use a #2 pencil.** Demographic information completed in pen, marker, or anything other than a number 2 pencil will prevent the student from receiving a score.
 - Writing information, such as a student's name, without filling in the corresponding circle for each letter or number will prevent the student from receiving a score

Individual Characteristics Questionnaire (ICQ)



- In the WIDA Secure Portal, download and print the Individual Characteristics Questionnaire (ICQ).
- Collaborate with colleagues to gather information prior to administering the WIDA Alternate ACCESS assessment.
- Complete this information accurately and completely.
- Kansas WIDA Test Administrator Manual, pp. 18-19.

Returning Test Materials



- Kansas WIDA Test Administrator Manual 2023-2024, pp. 19-22.
 - Confirm every Student Response Booklet must have a Pre-ID or District/School label in the upper right corner of the front cover. **Any test booklet that does not have a label with a barcode in the correct place will not be processed, and the student will not receive a score.**
 - Common Errors and Unique Situations, p. 20.
 - Confirm that unused test booklets and any test booklet that should not be scored do not have Pre-ID or District/School labels.
 - Remove paper clips and/or sticky notes from test booklets.
 - The TA will return all materials to the DTC who will send to DRC.

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Additional Training Opportunities



Webinar



- DTC Virtual Training Webinar
 - Kansas District Test Coordinators (DTCs), Building Test Coordinators (BTCs), and Technology Coordinators are invited to join monthly training webinars.
 - Training, February 13th, at 1:00 p.m.
 - Topics: TBD
 - [DTC Virtual Training | Kansas Assessment Program \(ksassessments.org\)](https://ksassessments.org/dtc-virtual-training)
 - Educators > KELPA > View Resources > Training Tab
 - <https://ksassessments.org/dtc-virtual-training>

Save the Date!



- KSDE's 2024 Summer Academy
 - June 10-12 at Wichita Northwest High School.
 - Theme: *"Make Learning Happen: Invigorating Tier I Instruction."*
 - *Attendees will self-select their schedules through the Sched platform.*
 - *Cost is \$150 before May 1 and \$175 after that date.*
 - *Lunch will be provided.*
 - *Contact Casey Barenzinsky at cbarenzinsky@ksde.org with questions.*

Resources



- Newcomer Toolkit
 - https://ncela.ed.gov/sites/default/files/2023-06/NewcomerToolkit-06222023-508_OELA.pdf
- Supporting Newcomer Students Webinar
 - <https://safesupportivelearning.ed.gov/events/webinar/lessons-field-webinar-supporting-newcomer-students>
- English Learner Toolkit
 - https://ncela.ed.gov/sites/default/files/legacy/files/english_learner_toolkit/OELA_2017_ELsToolkit_508C.pdf
- English Learner Family Toolkit
 - <https://ncela.ed.gov/educator-support/toolkits/family-toolkit>

Reminders



- The next webinar date is April 9th (no webinar in March).
- Please register @ www.ksdetasn.org
- The PDF of the presentation will also be available.
- ESOL Education Resources
 - <https://www.ksde.org/Agency/Division-of-Learning-Services/Special-Education-and-Title-Services/Title-Services/Title-III-State-ESOL/ESOL-Education-Resources>

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