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What is on your mind about WIDA?



How do I start?

It is a lot to keep straight

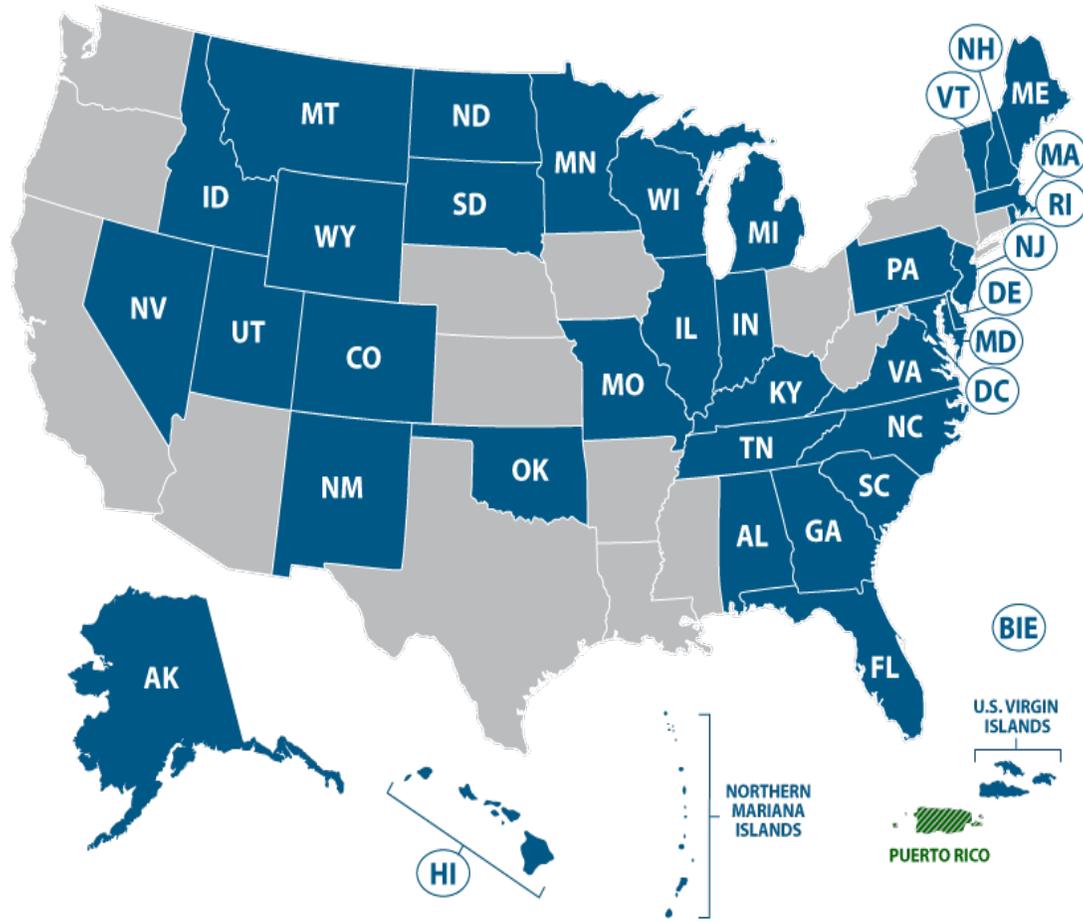
How can I support my new test administrators?

WIDA's website is good but confusing...

Who do I call?

Just want to make sure I'm following what I need to be doing...

WIDA is housed within the Wisconsin Center for Education Research (UW)



WIDA's suite of English language proficiency assessments:

- **W-APT**: kinder and 1st semester 1st grader screener
- **WIDA Screener**- online/paper grades 1-12
- **ACCESS 2.0**-federally required to monitor and report ELLs progress to English language proficiency
- **ACCESS ALT**

Facts about WIDA



Idaho is one of 39 states in the WIDA Consortium.

WIDA began testing English learners in 2004 with paper based assessment.

Idaho is starting 4th year of consortium membership and testing.

2017 WIDA completed a standard setting.

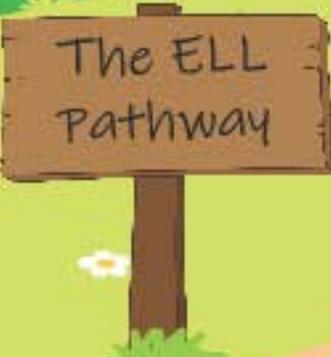
It is cold in Madison, WI in January 😊

Idaho ELL's:

- 15-16: 14,100
- 16-17: 16,080
- 17-18: 16,750
- 18-19: estimated 17,000+

Exiting fewer students than in the past due to WIDA's standard setting in 2017. Exit criteria currently being examined.





Eligibility & Placement

- Serve student according to ELL Plan

Screen & Identify

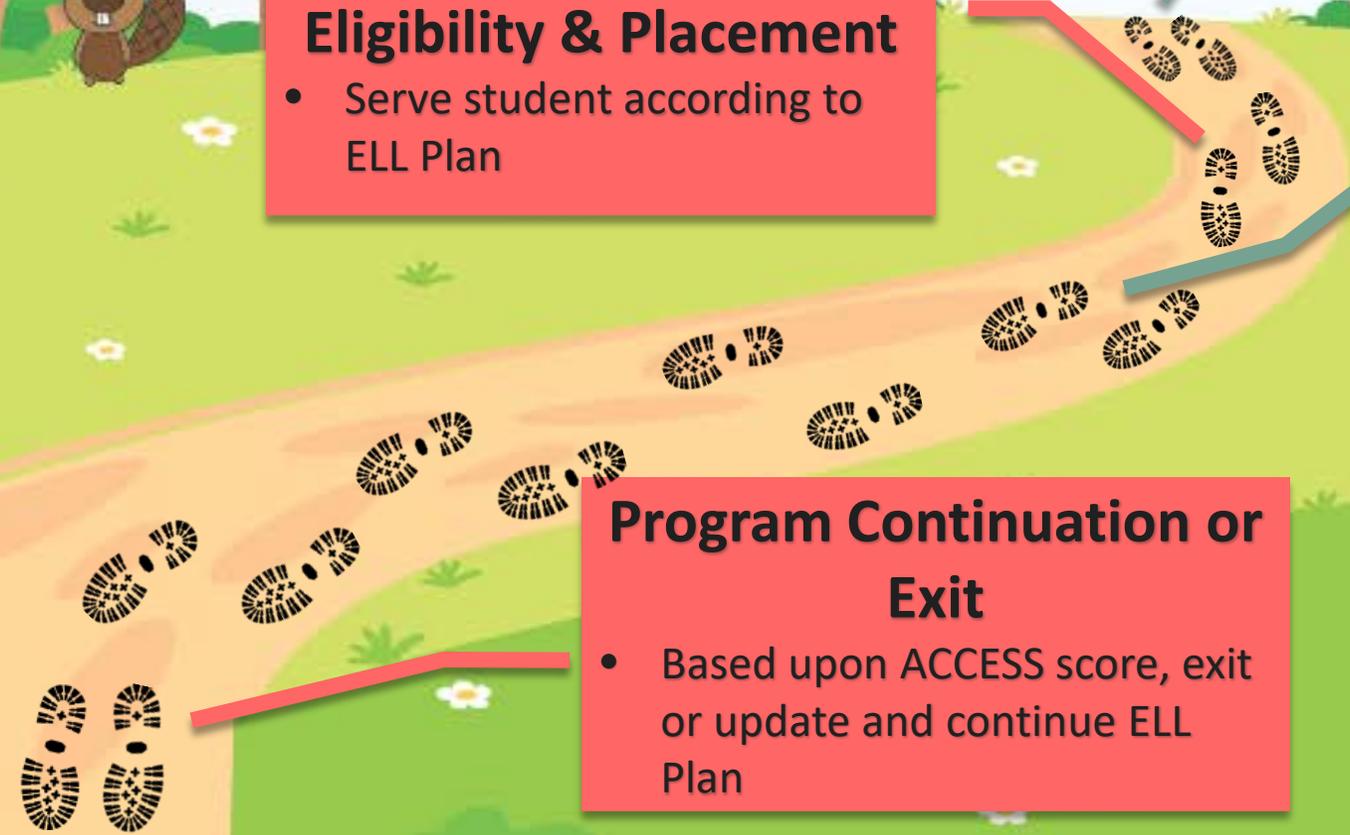
- Account(s)
- Training & Certification
- Administer Screener
- If eligible...continue

ACCESS 2.0

- Administered annually
- Operational deadlines & key dates for assessment

Program Continuation or Exit

- Based upon ACCESS score, exit or update and continue ELL Plan



Two Webpages – Two Accounts



- [WIDA Webpage and Portal](#)

- Resources – including Idaho specific guidance
- Training and Certification
- District level monitoring of training & account creation
- On August 15 WIDA URL is changed to: www.wida.wisc.edu

- [WIDA AMS \(DRC\)](#)

- Operational site for WIDA assessments
- Load students, print test tickets
- Score speaking and writing here for WIDA Screener

Roles – Know WIDA’s terminology



- District Test Coordinator
- WIDA Screener (Online & Paper) Contact
- WIDA ACCESS 2.0 Contact
- WIDA Proctors & TA's



How to set up accounts:



WIDA and WIDA AMS account set up

- WIDA Secure Portal: 1-866-276-7735, help@wida.us, or contact your District Test Coordinator
- WIDA AMS: wida@datarecognitioncorp.com or contact your District Test Coordinator

Certification Required



- Training and certification prior to administering screener is required if new.
- 2018-2019: ACCESS 2.0 required certification.
- Determine at a district level who will score the writing and speaking domains for Screener.

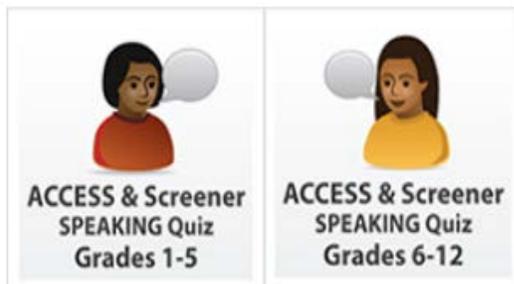
The screenshot shows the WIDA Screener Online website. At the top left is the WIDA logo. To the right are links for "MY ACCOUNT & SECURE PORTAL" and "LOG OUT", and a "MAIN WIDA WEBSITE" link. The main heading is "WIDA Screener Online". Below this is a paragraph: "This page is your one-stop-shop for administering WIDA Screener Online. If you are a first-time Test Administrator, or simply need a refresher, please begin with the QuickStart Guide below." Another paragraph follows: "If your school/state requires annual recertification, please enter the training course and take the appropriate quizzes." A third paragraph states: "The list of key resources includes supplementary documentation as well as links to video tutorials and training webinars." There are two main buttons: "Quick Start Guide Preparing for the Test" and "Training Course". To the right is a box titled "Other Key Resources" containing a list of links: "Online Test Administration Manual", "WIDA AMS User Guide", "WIDA Screener Speaking Scoring Scale", "Considerations for Scoring Oral Language", "WIDA Screener Writing Scoring Scale", "Sentence Complexity Guidelines", "WIDA AMS Videos", "Screener Webinar", and "Technology Coordinators".

Self-Scoring – Important Consideration



Speaking

- Timing of Training: 1-2 hours
 - **Module 1:** Screener Peaking Scoring Overview Speaking Scoring Scale
 - **Module 2:** Speaking Scoring Practice
 - **Module 3:** Recommended Practice
 - **Quiz:** Must receive $\geq 80\%$
 - Only need to complete quizzes grades assessing



Writing

- Timing of Training: 1-2 hours
 - **Module 1:** Screener: Writing Scoring Overview Writing Scoring Scale
 - **Module 2:** Writing Scoring Practice
 - **Module 3:** Recommended Practice
 - **Quiz:** Must receive $\geq 80\%$
 - Only need to complete quizzes grades assessing



Student Preparation



QuickStart Guide for Preparing Students for ACCESS Online

1. Review WIDA's advice on how to prepare your students for ACCESS Online.

Looking for a place to start preparing students for ACCESS Online? Look no further! The [ACCESS for ELLs Online](#) document has general tips and domain-specific information to help you ease students into testing.

2. If the format of the Online Speaking test is new or unfamiliar to students, get them talking by using our grade-level, cluster-specific tools!

These pre-testing guides have classroom tools and instructional methods educators can use to work with students in preparation for the Speaking test.

- [Speaking Guidance Grades 1-3](#)
- [Speaking Guidance Grades 4-5](#)
- [Speaking Guidance Grades 6-12](#)

3. Play the Test Demo for groups of students on a SMART Board or projector.

A test demo for each grade-level cluster shows students how to navigate different features of the test.

[↗ Test Demo](#)

4. Walk through Sample Items using suggested scripts as students follow along.

The Online Sample Items User Guide includes suggested scripting to help you explain testing features to students. This gives them a chance to practice answering questions. You can modify the scripting to fit the needs of your students.

- [Online Sample Items User Guide](#)
- [↗ Interactive Sample Items](#)

Paper-based Writing Sample Items

- Grade 1, Tier A: [Indoor Play](#)
- Grade 1, Tier B/C: [Making Bird Feeders](#)
- Grades 2-3, Tier A: [Flowers at the Park](#)
- Grades 2-3, Tier B/C: [Our Town](#)

5. Have students take some practice tests prior to testing day.

A practice test is embedded prior to the start of the online test. It allows students a chance to get comfortable with the test format before their official test session.

[↗ Practice Test](#)

Practice tests located on WIDA AMS site – first landing page.

Technology Requirements for WIDA



- The Online Testing Network Evaluation and Troubleshooting document has been updated for the 2018-19 administration and is posted in [WIDA AMS](#).
- Link to the document can be found in the [WIDA Secure Portal](#) behind the Technology Coordinators tile.

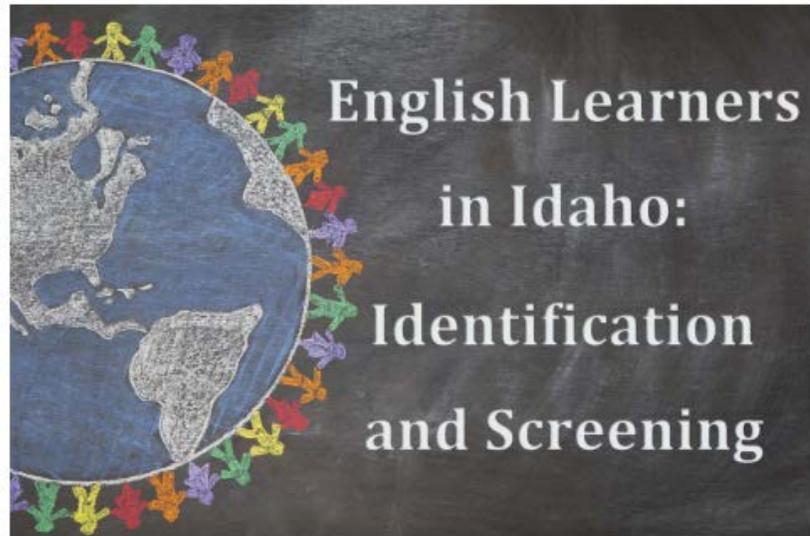


Homework Before Screening



1. [EL Program Page with Mini Manuals](#)

2. Read [Test Administration Manual \(s\)](#)



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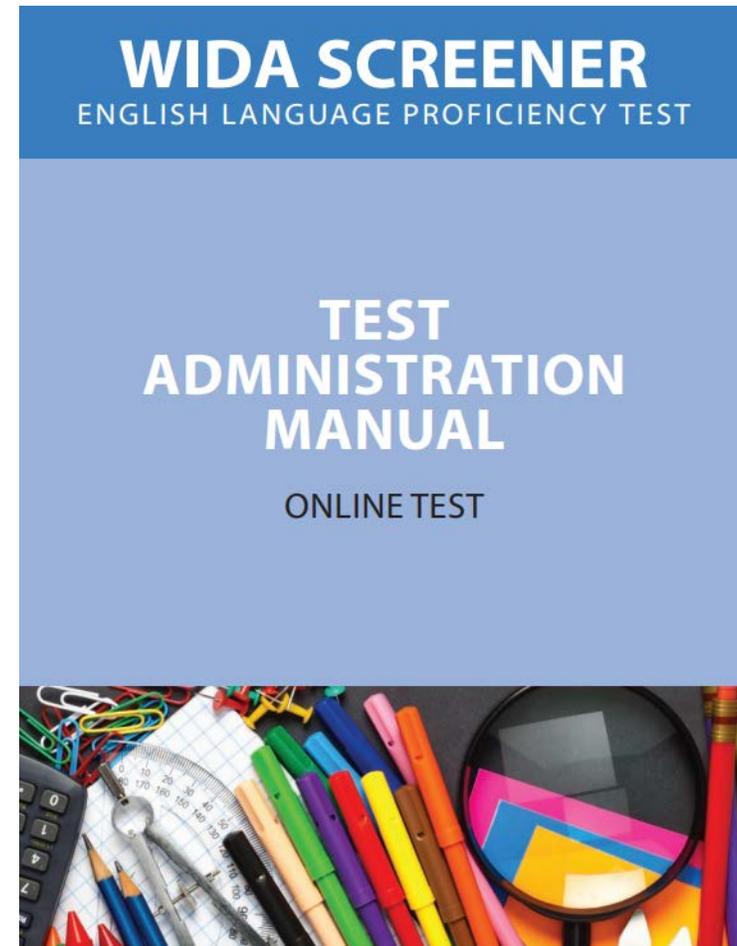
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Homework continued... webinars



Watch scheduled

[WIDA Q & A Webinars](#)

2018-2019 Q&A WIDA Webinar Schedule

WEBINAR	DATES	WEBINAR	DATES
WIDA Screener Online	8/9, 9/12	Pre-Testing: Technology Coordinator Support for Test Administrators	11/13
WIDA Screener Paper	8/22	During Testing: Managing Students (Online)	11/15
Welcome Back! WIDA Website Walkthrough	8/21, 9/19	Alternate Access for ELLs Test Administration	12/5
Welcome Back! What's New This Year?	9/18	During Testing: Managing Test Sessions (Online)	12/6
Pre-Testing: Access for ELLs Training	9/25	During Testing: Managing Students (Paper)	12/11
Pre-Testing: Software Updates & Technology Readiness Checklist	9/27	During Testing: Technology Troubleshooting	1/10
Pre-Testing: Technology Installations	10/4	During Testing: Managing Test Materials (Paper)	1/23
Pre-Testing: Access for ELLs for New District Test Coordinators	10/17	During Testing: Monitoring Completion (Online)	2/6
Pre-Testing: Test Scheduling	10/18	Post-Testing: Returning Materials (Paper)	1/31
Pre-Testing: Ordering Materials	11/7	Post-Testing: Interpreting Score Reports	4/17
		Post-Testing: Data Validation	4/23

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WIDA AMS mini-tutorials



[MY ACCOUNT & SECURE PORTAL](#) [LOG OUT](#)

[MAIN WIDA WEBSITE](#)

WIDA Assessment Management System (WIDA AMS)

WIDA AMS User Guide and Supplements

[WIDA AMS User Guide](#)

[WIDA AMS Supplement: Data Validation](#)

WIDA AMS ACCESS Videos

[Video 1: How to Navigate WIDA AMS](#)

[Video 2: Search & Edit Users](#)

[Video 3: Add User & Assign Permissions](#)

[Video 4: Search for Students](#)

[Video 5: Add a Student](#)

[Video 6: Uploading Multiple Students](#)

[Video 7: Print Tickets for a Test Session](#)

[Video 8: Add Test Session](#)

[Video 9: Search & Edit Test Session](#)

WIDA AMS Screener Videos

[Video 1: Add a New User to WIDA AMS](#)

[Video 2: Add Screener to Users Already in AMS](#)

[Video 3: Two Part Process for Adding Screener Educator Scoring](#)

[Video 4: Add Screener Test Session](#)

[Video 5: Add Student to Screener Test Session](#)

[Video 6: Access Screener Speaking Student Responses](#)

[Video 7: Score Screener Speaking Responses](#)

[Video 8: Score Screener Writing Responses](#)

[Video 9: Accessing Screener Score Reports](#)

[PORTAL HOME](#) | [ACCESS for ELLs PRIVACY POLICY](#)

NEED HELP? Contact the WIDA Client Services Center at help@wida.us or call us toll free 1-866-276-7735.

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Home Language Survey



- For new students at registration
- Do not complete annually for identified ELLs
- A language other than English is indicated
- Info can be found in the Identification and Screening Manual

Statewide Home Language Survey

Our school district along with the Idaho State Department of Education and the Office for Civil Rights require that students' language(s) are identified. This survey's purpose is to determine whether they are potentially eligible for language services.

Student Name:		Date:	
Birthdate:		Gender:	Male Female
School:		Grade:	

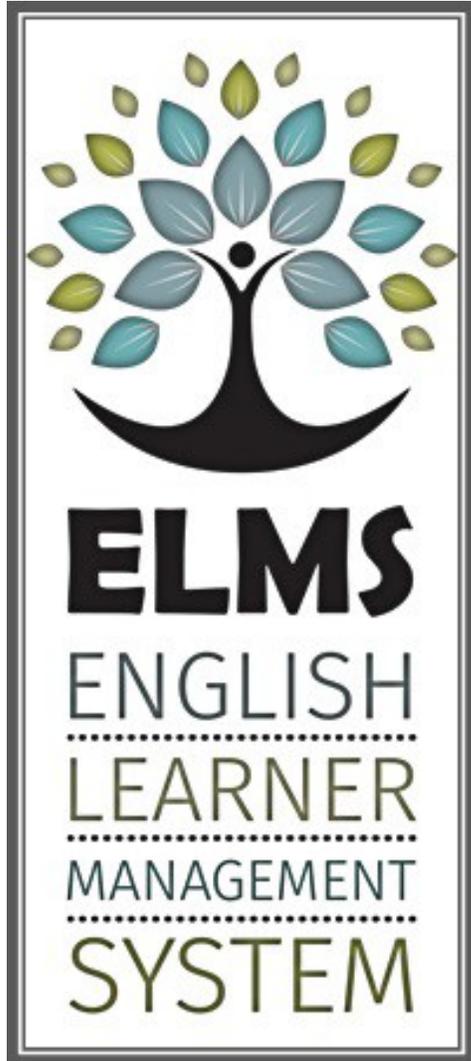
1. What language(s) are spoken in the home?

2. What language(s) does your student speak most often?

3. What language(s) did your student first learn?

4. Which language does your child speak with you? _____
5. Which language do you use when speaking with your child? _____
6. Which language do you want phone calls and letters? _____
7. What is your relationship to the child? Mother Father Guardian
 Other (specify) _____
8. Is there any additional information you would like the school to know about your child? _____

English Learner Management System (ELMS)



- Required action:
 - Prior to administering W-APT or Screener, search in ELMS to ensure no former screening done or active EL status
 - If student has screened out, exited, or already qualified DO NOT SCREEN
 - If student is not in ELMS, proceed to screen
- Need ELMS access?
 - Contact ISEE Coordinator
 - ELMS.Editor
- [ELMS User Guide](#)

WIDA Screener – Varies per grade, per time of year



Grade	Screener Assessment to Administer
Kindergarten	Kindergarten W-APT <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Free to download online at www.wida.wisc.edu• Must be printed out and administered 1-on-1• All Domains are scored locally• Certain domains administered per time of year
First Semester* 1 st Grade	
Second Semester** 1 st Grade	WIDA Online Screener (paper available) <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Free online• Administered through the INSIGHT Browser in conjunction with WIDA-AMS• Reading and Listening scored through INSIGHT system, speaking and writing are scored locally
2 nd -12 th Grade	

**First semester lasts from start of school year through December 31*

***Second semester lasts from January 1 through the end of the school year*

Information & Training: <https://www.wida.wisc.edu/assess/screener/online>

ACCESS 2.0



Grade	Mode and ACCESS Assessment to Administer
Kindergarten	<p>Paper administration. 1:1. Scored by DRC.</p> <p>Test is not split into difficulty tiers. Students tested in all parts until they reach a performance ceiling.</p> <p>Can take up to 60 minutes per student.</p>
Grades 1-12	<p>Default is online.</p> <p>Paper is available as an accommodation.</p> <p>Grades 1-3 use handwriting for writing domain. Grades 4-12 keyboard writing.</p> <p>Administer Reading/Listening then Speaking/Writing (can take up to 170 min).</p> <p>Technology set up vital. Will need headsets with microphones.</p> <p>Can be administered in groups with various grade levels at same time.</p>
Alternate ACCESS	<p>ELL's who meet statewide ALT ISAT testing eligibility criteria are the only students who should take Alternate ACCESS. Braille version also available.</p>

What's New? Most Helpful?



WIDA Website and Quick Start Guides: [WIDA Quick Start Guide](#)

QuickStart Guide for Preparing and Administering ACCESS for ELLs

[Download this guide](#)

1. Find out what parts of ACCESS administration you are responsible for in your school or district.
2. Find out what policies and procedures your state requires. See your member/state page for details.
3. Make sure you have access to the WIDA Secure Portal and WIDA AMS in order to complete the remaining steps below.

If you are a first-time Test Administrator (TA) or District Test Coordinator (DTC), please visit your member/state page for instructions on how to get your accounts set up.

If you are a returning TA or DTC and you are having trouble signing in to the WIDA Secure Portal, please contact the [WIDA Client Services Center](#).

State Page on WIDA's Website:



- [Idaho WIDA Consortium Page](#)



STATE TESTING DATES 2018-2019			
Testing Specifics		Start Date	End Date
Pre-Testing	Test Materials Ordering Available in AMS (LEAs)	Mon 10/22/18	Fri 11/16/18
	Load Pre-ID File into AMS (LEAs)	Mon 10/22/18	Fri 11/16/18
	WIDA AMS Test Setup Available for Test Sessions	Wed 1/2/19	Fri 3/8/19
	Districts Receive Test Materials (On)	Tue 1/15/19	Tue 1/15/19
During Testing	Test Window	Mon 1/28/19	Fri 3/8/19
	Additional Test Material Ordering Window in AMS	Tue 1/15/19	Fri 3/1/19
Post-Testing	Deadline for Shipping Completed Test Materials to DRC	Fri 3/15/19	Fri 3/15/19
	Pre-Reporting Data Validation – LEAs in AMS	Mon 4/1/19	Fri 4/5/19
	Districts Receive Reports - Printed and Online (On)	Tue 5/21/19	Tue 5/21/19

FAQs:



1. Should we screen a foreign exchange student?

- No, it is not required.

2. How long do I have to screen a potential ELL?

- 30 days from registration date.

3. Do we have to screen online?

- Remember, depends on grade of student. Online is default. Paper is an option. Certification differs per mode of administration.

4. Do all students screen in?

- No. Screener results will determine if a student meets the screen out criteria

Stay in touch, on top of vendor deadlines:



- [SDE Assessment Department Resource Center](#)
- Monthly Webinars
- Assessment specific -
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The Resource Center for Assessment & Accountability provides information that pertains to all its department areas. From webinars to web-based portals, find resources below.

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Questions, Concerns?



How can we best support you?



Questions?

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