ELL Assessment Updates 2015-2016

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ACCESS 2.0 Operational

• Adds an online option
• New vendor – Data Recognition Corp. (DRC)
• Additional Testing Supports Available
• New Assessment Management Tool
  WIDA-AMS (www.wida-ams.us)
ACCESS 2.0 Prep Steps

- Connect to WIDA-AMS (Assessment Management System) – Via SIS
- Select Testing Window – Via SIS
- Determine Online vs. Paper
- Know Technology Requirements
- Staff Preparation
Connect to WIDA-AMS

- Log In to SIS
- Go to Pre-ID Group
Select a Testing Window

- No reason is required for a later window.
- Materials for all windows are being shipped at the same time.
WIDA-AMS

• Order Paper Materials
• Manage Online Testing Sessions
• Test Demonstration & Practice
• Sample Items
• Test Results
• Report Copies
WIDA-AMS

https://www.wida-ams.us/
Both sites refer to a “District Coordinator,” but they do different things, and can be different people.
District Coordinators:
• Set up online testing
• Order testing materials
• Correct student data
• Select accommodations
• View/print reports

District Coordinators:
• Create User Accounts
• Download W-APT
• Assign User Permissions
• View Training Progress
Finding the WIDA-AMS User Guide

https://www.wida.us/
Finding the WIDA-AMS User Guide

Online Test Administrator Checklist

- View and try out the interactive ACCESS for ELLs 2.0 Sample items for the Public. (Instructions and screenshots are also available.)
- Review the Accessibility and Accommodations Guidelines and Accessibility and Accommodations Descriptions.
- Stay informed of developments in ACCESS for ELLs 2.0 by periodically reviewing the FAQs and preparation resources on the ACCESS for ELLs 2.0 webpage.

- Review the WIDA Assessment Management System User Guide.
- Upon receipt of your WIDA AMS account credentials, log into the WIDA AMS and agree to terms.
WIDA Assessment Management System (WIDA AMS)

User Guide, Part 1
Online vs. Paper Administration

• Can do either or both
• Same window
• Use WIDA-AMS.us for both
• Consider Technology Requirements
• Consider online supports available
Technology Requirements

ACCESS for ELLs 2.0 Summative Assessment

Beginning in 2015-16

About ACCESS for ELLs 2.0

ACCESS for ELLs 2.0 is a secure large-scale English language proficiency assessment administered to Kindergarten through 12th grade students who have been identified as English language learners (ELLs). It is given annually in WIDA Consortium member states to monitor students’ progress in acquiring academic English. ACCESS for ELLs 2.0 is only available to Consortium member states.

In 2015-2016, the WIDA Consortium will begin administration of the new summative assessment from grades 1–12. An online assessment will replace the earlier paper-based assessment, ACCESS for ELLs, although a paper-based assessment will continue to be available according to each state’s guidelines. For more information regarding a specific state’s guidelines, please visit the WIDA member state pages. The Kindergarten and Alternate ACCESS for ELLs assessments will not change from previous years and remain paper-based.
Technology Requirements

https://www.wida.us/assessment/access20-tech.aspx

DRC Insight Requirements & DRC TSM Requirements

- Operating Systems
- Devices
- Internet Connectivity
- Hardware
- Screen Size & Resolution
Technology Requirements

If you have the correct technology for the PARCC, the only additional requirement is audio recording devices for the Speaking Assessment.

- Headsets (preferred)
- Microphone

Technology Requirements

Considerations for Audio Recording Devices:

- How many students will take the Speaking Assessment at one time?
- Options for Hygiene concerns
  - Polyester Covers
  - Disinfecting Wipes
ACCESS for ELLs 2.0
Accessibility Features & Accommodations

What
ACCESS for ELLs 2.0® Accessibility and Accommodations Descriptions

How to
ACCESS for ELLs 2.0® Accessibility and Accommodations Guidelines


Staff Preparation Checklists - Online

https://www.wida.us/client/index.aspx
Staff Preparation Checklists - Paper

https://www.wida.us/client/index.aspx
# Staff Preparation Checklists

[https://www.wida.us/assessment/Technology%20Coordinator%20Checklist%208.06.15.pdf](https://www.wida.us/assessment/Technology%20Coordinator%20Checklist%208.06.15.pdf)

## Technology Coordinator Checklist

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<td>□ Review the ACCESS for ELLs 2.0 <a href="https://www.wida.us/assessment/Technology">Headset Specifications document</a>, and advise the District Test Coordinator about acquiring headsets.</td>
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# Staff Preparation

## Webinar Sign-Up


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### Events by Program

**English : Chicago Time**

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Shading indicates new training is required to administer.

<sup>1</sup> Includes a quiz.

Certificates are issued for all ACCESS training.

ACCESS training completion recorded at www.wida.us.
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Some parts of ACCESS training are preparation to give the W-APT, but the W-APT training is not preparation to administer ACCESS.

The W-APT webinar does not have a quiz.

No certificate issued for W-APT Webinar.

W-APT Webinar training completion is not recorded.
W-APT Webinar
ACCESS for ELLs 2.0
Test Administration Manual

ACCESS for ELLs 2.0
Sample Items (Chrome Browser)

https://wbte.drcedirect.com/WIDA/portals/wida
Resources & Contacts

- **ACCESS for ELLs 2.0 webpage**
- **WIDA-AMS User Guide**
- **ACCESS 2.0 Online Test Administration Manual**
- WIDA Client Services Center: 866-276-7735 or help@wida.us
- DRC Customer Support: 855-787-9615 or WIDA@datarecognitioncorp.com
- Barry Pedersen, ISBE: 866-317-6034, bpederse@isbe.net
Questions?