Assessment Updates

ESSA Steering Committee Meeting Wednesday, January 13, 2021



Spring Assessment Communication Plan

- The Office of Student Assessment will be hosting required District Test Coordinator (DTC) training on the following dates:
 - January 19-21, 2021
- During this training, communication will be provided on the following to DTCs:
 - All students will need to test on-site for spring testing.
 - DTCs need to be mindful to follow all CDC and ADH guidelines including masks, adequate spacing, and sanitation, and plan for possible school closings when creating schedules.



Spring Assessment Communication Plan

- The Student Assessment unit and the Division of Elementary and Secondary Engagement unit are collaborating on an Assessment Toolkit that will be targeted to parents.
 - The Toolkit will include a flyer/FAQ to help parents understand the purpose of state assessments and suggestions to keep their child safe during these extraordinary times.
 - This Toolkit will be shared with Parent/Family Coordinators at each Arkansas District.



Spring Assessment Communication Plan

 Additional communication plans for spring testing include the continuation of the Student Assessment's bi -weekly newsletter, and a series of scheduled live and recorded webinars that will contain updated information throughout the winter and spring prior to testing.

