QUESTION OF THE WEEK

Q: When will K-PREP student level data be available in PearsonAccessnext?

A: The Kentucky Performance Rating for Educational Progress (K-PREP) student data will be available electronically at 12:01 a.m. ET on October 2 in PearsonAccessnext. The release provides results to support work with individual students during the school year and meets reporting expectations in Kentucky legislation. The paper copies of the Individual Student Reports are being printed, will be shipped on Friday, October 4 and should arrive the week of October 7.

Data Available with This Release

Spring 2019 K-PREP individual student results include:

District
- Combined K-PREP School Listing
- Combined Alternate K-PREP School Listing-High School
- Combined K-PREP School Summary Report
- K-PREP District School Listing Data File
- K-PREP District Summary Report

School
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- K-PREP School Summary Report
- Individual Student Reports

Important Dates

September 30: Alternate K-PREP TAR Training/Quiz Available
October 1: School Report Card (SRC) Public Release
- Scores for ACT, SAT, AP and KYOTE available in IC
October 2: Individual Student Data available in PearsonAccessnext
October 1-10: Data Review after Public Release
October 1-30: ACCESS for ELLs® Test Ordering Window
October 10: ACT Data and Reports are Downloaded or Printed from PAN
October 17: Monthly DAC Webcast (note date change)
October 22-23: Bias Review Committee Meeting at the Louisville Marriott East (Hurstbourne)
October 24-25: Assessment Blueprint Review Committee Meetings (Reading/Writing, Social Studies) in Frankfort
October 28-29: Scott Trimble Workshop in Louisville

DATA REVIEW AFTER PUBLIC RELEASE
A Special DAC Email will be sent tomorrow, October 1 when the embargo is lifted with instructions for completing the 10-day Data Review that occurs after Public Release.

ACCESS FOR ELLS© TEST MATERIALS ORDERING
The window for ordering ACCESS test materials is October 1-30, 2019. DACs will place the testing orders for their schools in the WIDA Assessment Management System (AMS). Only order the materials that are needed. The Power Point provides additional details for ordering ACCESS test materials.

ACT DATA AND REPORTS BEING REMOVED FROM PEARSONACCESSnext (PAN)- FINAL REMINDER
The ACT high school and district level profile reports, as well as district level data files, and electronic copies of the Non College Reportable Score Notification letters from the 2019 spring state administration will be removed from PearsonAccessnext for ACT November 1.

2019-2020 END OF COURSE (EOC) EXAMS FOR EARLY GRADUATION PATHWAY
The EOCs will be used again this year for students to meet Early Graduation Program requirements (for students that have signed an E.G. Intent Form); however, this will be the final year for EOC exams. Summative Assessments will be used starting 2020-2021 school year. Note: DACs should monitor EOC orders to ensure ordering aligns with student’s Individual Learning Plan (ILP).

Orders can be placed between October 2 through November 15. The Ordering Guidance Document has been updated and posted to the EOC webpage on the KDE website. The directions on how to run the ad hoc ordering reports within Infinite Campus (IC) will also be included in the Ordering Guidance Document. As a reminder, there is a difference between a student who is an early graduate and one who graduates early.

The following are the EOC testing dates:

- **Test Window 1**: December 2-13, 2019
- **Test Window 2**: February 24-March 6, 2020
- **Test Window 3**: April 20-May 1, 2020
VERIFY PEARSONACCESSnext(PAN) ACCOUNTS
District Assessment Coordinators (DACs) are asked to verify their district’s user accounts in PearsonAccessnext to ensure that Building Assessment Coordinators (BACs) and others can access Published Reports for their respective schools. Accounts may have been deleted and/or disabled due to the user not logging in for a period of time. If a PAN account is disabled, the DAC can enable the BAC’s account. However if a DAC’s account is disabled, contact Pearson Customer Service at 1-888-437-1430 and ask that a user account be restored in PAN. Provided are several PAN screenshots for assistance.

ALTERNATE K-PREP TRANSITION ATTAINMENT RECORD (TAR) TRAINING/QUIZ
The online training and quiz for the TAR is now available. The TAR is an assessment checklist completed by the Admissions and Release Committee (ARC) or transition committee required for students in grade 11. The TAR is a checklist based assessment which evaluates the student’s readiness in reading/writing, mathematics and science. The TAR can also be provided to any grade 12 or eligible grade 14 student who has not met the required benchmark of reading-19, mathematics-16 and science-16. You can access the training on the Alternate K-PREP Trainings page.

Recorded Online Training Video
The online training video was recorded by Kevin O’Hair. The video may experience pauses or delays during the review. These delays may be based on the signal and strength of internet connections and capabilities.

Access the Transition Attainment Record
After the quiz is completed with a passing score and has been submitted, access to the TAR Checklist is permitted. The document can be found on the log in page of the Online Training System (OTS), which is the same page where the quiz was completed. Under Teacher Tools, click the link entitled Transition Attainment Record to download the document.

TAR Administration Guide
The 2019-2020 TAR Administration Guide is provided on the Alternate K-PREP Resources page. For additional questions regarding completion of the TAR, contact Kevin O’Hair by email, or by phone at (502) 564-4394.

SCORES IN INFINITE CAMPUS (IC)
The Kentucky Department of Education (KDE) strives to publish student data results in IC as they become available. In this spirit, 2018-2019 ACT, SAT, AP and KYOTE scores have been imported into the State Edition of IC. KDE will publish these scores to all districts beginning on Tuesday, October 1.

Please email Tania Arnett with any questions on this matter.
The Owen County School District is located in the heart of the "Golden Triangle" formed by Lexington, Louisville and Cincinnati. It is a rural community filled with rich tradition and a population of approximately 10,481 residents. Owen County offers a quiet, rural atmosphere while being within an hour of three major cities, cultural attractions, international airports, and interstate highways. In addition, the county has a wealth of natural beauty with numerous lakes, streams and rolling ridges providing top quality fishing and hunting opportunities in the Commonwealth.

Renowned for its southern hospitality and majestic surroundings, you will find Owen County rich in history and culture with something to offer for everyone. It has a rich heritage of quilters throughout the many communities and is very proud of its Agricultural Heritage Trail and Owen County Quilt Trail. The community is also extremely proud of its Farmer's Market and local artists.

Owen County Schools follow the same rich tradition as the community. It is home to three schools: Owen County Elementary (PreK-4), Maurice Bowling Middle (5-8), and Owen County High (9-12). The district employs approximately 260 people, including certified staff, paraprofessionals, and professional/administrative support personnel. The student population is approximately 1,900 students PreK-12. The district mission is to provide opportunities and resources where all students will develop perseverance and a passion for life-long learning in a safe, supportive, educational environment.

As part of the district’s continuous improvement journey, there is a focus on data analysis and standards alignment to meet the district vision where students and staff will:

- Respect Others
- Experience Learning
- Build Relationships
- Expect Excellence
- Lead
- Seek Opportunities

Over the last three years, Owen County Schools has worked diligently on strengthening their instructional program while focusing on the “whole” child to meet the district’s mission and vision. The district is focused on five strategic themes:

1. Graduate Profile
2. Literacy/Numeracy
3. Social and Emotional Learning
4. Recruitment and Retention of Quality Staff
5. Personalized Learning for ALL Students

Currently, the district is working toward effective instructional strategies that are evidence-based and focused on promoting student engagement. This fall, Owen County Schools will engage with its stakeholders in the development of a Graduate Profile. The district continues to focus on literacy and numeracy as well as...
reducing achievement gaps. In fact, in August 2019, Owen County Elementary and Maurice Bowling Middle School were invited to present to the Kentucky Board of Education on what they have been doing to reduce their achievement gaps consistently over the last three years. In addition to the focus on teaching and learning, the district has received energy awards, the transportation department has been recognized for its efficiency, and progress has been made toward building systems and processes throughout the district.

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Previous Topics

SRC PUBLIC RELEASE SET FOR OCTOBER 1
(The following information was shared in the September 23 Commissioner’s Monday Message)

The embargo period for the School Report Card (SRC) will be Sept. 27 for districts and the media. The public release is scheduled for Oct. 1.

Quality Control Day Two for the SRC went well and no systemic issues were found in the data. Although no systemic issues were found, the Kentucky Department of Education (KDE) continues internal research and anticipates applying additional testing allegations. Final data will be available during the embargo period before public release.

The data entry, validation and approval period has ended. Data that was changed last week in Infinite Campus will be refreshed in the SRC Sept. 24. No additional changes can be made prior to public release.

One last reminder: The School Profile Report should be complete with signatures and available in the local school district office no later than Oct. 1. There will also be an option for the public to print an unsigned copy from the SRC when it is public.

For District Assessment Coordinators (DACs): A Special DAC Email will be sent when specific details are known. During the embargo period, districts will be able to see the information for all districts and schools. To help prepare for Public Release, supporting materials will be available on the website.

Immediately following the Public Data Release, the official Data Review period begins to correct any student level data. More details will be available next week.

BIAS REVIEW PARTICIPANTS SOUGHT (updated information)
Bias review committees participate in thoughtful and meaningful discussions about bias or sensitivity appropriateness for Kentucky students on Kentucky assessments. Individuals – not only educators -- are needed who bring differing
perspectives. Anyone interested in participating please complete this survey by Friday, October 4.

The bias review committee meeting will convene October 22 and October 23 at the Marriott in Louisville (Hurstbourne exit). Meals, hotel accommodations and travel will be covered by Pearson. There will also be a $150 per stipend or sub reimbursement offered to participants.

DISTRICTS, PLEASE USE CAUTION WHEN BUYING SOFTWARE AND APPLICATIONS FOR USE ON STATE TESTING

It has come to the attention of the Kentucky Department of Education (KDE) that some software vendors have listed endorsements and/or compatibility claims with the Kentucky Performance Rating for Educational Progress (K-PREP) state testing. If a vendor makes such claims keep two things in mind: 1) KDE never endorses products as it is prohibited for the department to do so, and 2) with the shift to online testing which uses a locked down browser, unless an application has been given specific permission to be used while taking a secure test, that application/process will not be allowed during the secure test. At this time, no specific application is permitted on K-PREP.

Please be mindful of these two things when making district software purchases (i.e. speech-to-text) to be used on K-PREP testing. If you have questions about a software purchase, please reach out to your KETS Field Staff Representative (KE) for assistance.

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