

# Third-Party Checking of 2018 Scaling and Equating for the Kentucky Performance Rating for Educational Progress (K-PREP) Tests 

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## Executive Summary

Pearson and HumRRO independently calibrated, scaled and equated the 2018 Kentucky Performance Rating for Educational Progress (K-PREP) assessments and produced the raw-score-to-theta-score tables to be applied to students' test results. HumRRO further verified that scoring table were applied accurately by checking our scoring of the student sample against Pearson's. Results calculated by HumRRO were identical to those calculated by Pearson (M. Johnson, email communication, July 16-20, 2018). Given that HumRRO's results were identical to those of Pearson, we are assured that Pearson did not commit processing errors.

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## Introduction

In 2012, Kentucky transitioned from the Kentucky Core Content Test (KCCT) to the K-PREP system for spring testing. This transition represented a significant departure from the prior assessment system. The 3-parameter logistic Item-Response Theory (IRT) model was replaced with a Rasch model, a new item-type (i.e., short-constructed-response) was added to the assessments, a new scale-score reporting system was developed for sub-scores, and new cut scores were identified for the reading and mathematics assessments. The transition was also accompanied by a new primary testing contractor, Pearson. As a result, HumRRO's third-party checking process underwent significant changes to accommodate the transition ${ }^{1}$.

Equating was added to the process in 2013 to permit comparison of the results across test years. The 2014 tests were equated to the 2013 tests using linking items. In this manner, comparable scores were produced for the 2014 and 2015 K-PREP. Forms for all subjects other than writing were repeated in 2016 from prior years, meaning that existing scoring tables could be used, and no equating was necessary. In 2017, new forms were constructed, and equating analyses was carried out for Reading and Mathematics in all grades. Beginning in 2015, scale scores were computed for the On-Demand Writing tests where simple number correct scores had been used in the past . Writing tests were equated in 2016 and 2017.

In 2018, new test forms were created for Reading and Mathematics. We calibrated the operational items on these test forms, performed equating via linking items, and derived scale scores for reporting that can be directly compared to previous scale scores. The Social Studies and Writing forms were repeated from 2016, as such no equating was necessary. However, HumRRO did verify the score tables used in 2018 were the same as those used in 2016. In 2018, the new Science test was first operational administration. For Science, two operational sets of items were administered across six forms. In other words, for each grade, two base forms were constructed along with two "scrambled" versions of each base form. For each grade, one cluster set of items was repeated across all six forms. The operation science items were calibrated and used to generated raw-to-theta conversion tables for use during standard setting, July 17-19, 2018.

This report describes how student test responses for the 2018 K-PREP assessments were used to create scale scores and place students in Novice, Apprentice, Proficient or Distinguished (NAPD) performance categories. The complex analyses to accomplish these tasks were conducted independently, but cooperatively, by both HumRRO and Pearson staff members. Several interim checks were conducted during the analyses and any discrepancies between the two companies was investigated and ultimately resolved. This process was conducted transparently among Pearson, HumRRO, KDE, and Kentucky's psychometric consultant (Dr. Bill Auty of EdMeasure) via frequent email communications and daily conference calls. The process was guided by a specifications document created by Pearson ${ }^{3}$ and regularly updated

[^0]based on decisions before and during calibration. This documentation is vital for ensuring consistency of processing across years and serves as a guiding document for subsequent years.

## Sample Identification and File Construction

Kentucky selects most of its student population for use in the calibration sample for scaling and equating. However, some students are purposefully exempted. KDE established a set of invalidation codes for excluding students in the calibration file. Kentucky's exemption rules only apply to students who receive accommodations (e.g., Braille forms, audio, large print, etc.) and students with duplicate records (the same identification number and name). The accommodated students receive scores but are simply omitted from the calibration sample. Pearson and HumRRO verified n-counts after this step. For Reading and Math, grades 3-8 were equated.

The next step was to format all the grade/subject files to be read into the Winsteps IRT program and create Winsteps ${ }^{4}$ control files to read the student responses and estimate parameters. A sample control file is provided in Appendix A. HumRRO created specialized SAS programs to generate all input and control files automatically. The item documentation file was used to specify item types, location, keys, item use (e.g. field test vs. operational items), and other important information. HumRRO and Pearson did not share programming or methodology for creating the input and control files. Both companies did use the same student data files (containing all student responses). HumRRO followed the guidance provided by Pearson (with input from KDE) regarding the treatment of blank responses, condition codes, etc. in creating the input data files.

## Calibration and Scaling Procedures

Once input and control files were prepared, Winsteps was used to calibrate items. Multiplechoice items were fit to the Rasch measurement model and constructed-response items (short constructed response and extended response items) were fit to the Partial Credit Model (PCM). Both types of items were simultaneously calibrated in Winsteps and item difficulty parameters (logits) were produced. "Step parameters" were also produced for constructed response items. Step parameters tell us how the various points possible on the item relate to the item's overall difficulty and are important for generating scoring tables. These parameters are produced on the theta scale (a commonly used scale with a mean of 0 and a standard deviation of 1 ).
Appendix B contains an example of item parameters for one grade subject (logits and step parameters).

## Equating Procedures

Two types of equating occurred for the K-PREP: (a) forms equating within a given test administration year and (b) equating across test administration years using common anchor items. The first of these, forms equating, is accomplished by calibrating all the items for a given grade/subject together. By calibrating all the items together (i.e., across all forms), this effectively equates the various forms for a given grade/subject such that test scores on form 2 and form 3, for example, are interchangeable in terms of difficulty. For all subjects other than Science and On-Demand Writing, Kentucky uses common forms for all operational items (those

[^1]that contribute to student scores), but the forms differ on field-test items. Field-test items are used to build future forms.

In addition to the need to equate the forms of a test within a given year, there is also the need for the current year's scores to be comparable to scores from prior years. Kentucky uses a common-item anchor design to equate K-PREP scores across years. The anchor items are "internal" in the sense that they are dispersed across forms rather than externally located in a separate anchor item form. Both multiple-choice and short answer items are designated as anchor items for equating for all grades and subjects.

## Raw-score-to-Scale-Score Procedures

Once the final item parameters were estimated, they were used to create scoring tables. At this stage, the scoring tables produced by the final item calibration run in Winsteps are still on the theta metric. Each potential "number of total score points (multiple-choice items correct plus total points on constructed response items)" is associated with a theta estimate. This "personlevel" theta would be their score on the theta scale. Output files were verified to match between HumRRO and Pearson at this stage.

Once theta scoring tables were obtained, they were linearly transformed to a reporting scale of 100-300 for all grade subjects. Performance levels (Novice, Apprentice, Proficient, and Distinguished) were also assigned to each score. Cut scores for the performance levels were determined following a standard setting workshop conducted in the summer of 2012 (see Pearson, 2013). The results of that workshop included cut scores on the theta metric that can be used to assign NAPD categories to students. Scale score cuts were used, as opposed to theta cuts, to assign performance levels to students' scale scores. Using these cuts allowed the scale scores associated with each performance level to be fixed across test administrations. HumRRO verified the raw-score-to-scale-score tables and the associated performance levels.

In addition to overall scores, Kentucky also reports cluster scores (subscores based on subsets of items within each test). The generation of cluster scores uses the previously estimated item parameters and is accomplished by generating scoring tables in Winsteps on the theta metric, based on the specific items identified for each scoring cluster. These theta scores are then transformed in exactly the same manner as the full test scores.

## Verification of 2018 Scoring Tables

After the final scoring tables were constructed, the scoring tables were applied to the 2018 student data. HumRRO checks the 2018 scored student data to verify that the scoring tables are being appropriately applied to the data and to check the distribution of students falling into each performance level. HumRRO verified Reading, Math, Social Studies, and Writing performance level distributions. HumRRO matched Pearson on the number and percent of students assigned to each performance level by subject and grade.

## Documentation

As HumRRO and Pearson completed each step of the process described above, Winsteps control, item parameter, score, and output files were shared to check for inconsistencies. Winsteps output contained the number of cases in the calibration sample, item-level information
(e.g., p-values, parameters), and the theta scoring tables. A sample of the output files are appended to this document. They include:

1. Winsteps Control Files (Appendix A). These files contain the item parameter estimation specifications and important information for reading the student score files. It also specifies the output file names. The appendix includes an example control file for the initial item parameter estimation, equated item parameter estimation, and estimation of the cluster scores.
2. Winstep Item Parameter Files (Appendix B). These files contain the item parameters for the operational items. Each multiple-choice item has one parameter, a logit difficulty (named Measure in the Winstep files). Each constructed-response item has an overall difficulty parameter and a number of step parameters indicating how the points for the item are distributed along the theta scale. The file included in the appendix is an example of a final item parameter file. Initial item parameter files are in similar formats.
3. Winsteps Anchor File (Appendix C). The file includes the 2018 item parameter values for each anchor item with the equating shift estimate applied to the overall difficulty measure. The file is read by Winsteps and used to fix the item parameter values and estimate final score files.
4. Winsteps Score File (Appendix D). The file contains the raw score to theta estimation and includes the distribution of student scores.
5. Comparison of Files Output (Appendix E). This is a SAS output file from HumRRO's comparison program that checks scoring table results against Pearson's results. The files match if all comparison values are 0 .

## Conclusion

Pearson and HumRRO independently calculated the scaled/equated raw-score-to-scale-score tables for the 2018 K-PREP assessments. No differences were found between Pearson's and HumRRO's parameter estimation, Stocking-Lord transformation constants, or raw-score-to-scale-score tables. Given that HumRRO's and Pearson's scaling and equating results were identical, HumRRO is confident that Pearson did not commit processing errors.

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## Appendix A - Control File (Math Grade 3)

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;Winstep Control file f03MA_v0.CON
; HumRRO
&INST
Item1 = 25
NI = 47
TABLES = 00100000000001000001000000001
CODES = 012
CSV = N
FITP = 3.0
FITI = 3.0
XWIDE =1
HLINES = Y
data=f03MAmopv0.dat
IFILE= f03MAv0.ITM
ISFILE = f03MAv0.ISF
SFILE = f03MAv0.CSF
SCFILE = f03MAv0.RSS
PFILE = f03MAv0.PER
mprox=10
mucon=100
rconv=. }5
lconv=. }0
models=r
groups=0
stkeep=n
realse=n
stbias=n
target=n
extrsc=0.25
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;upmean=0
;uanchor=y
ptbis=y
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## Appendix B - Winsteps Item Parameter Files (Math Grade 3)

## Item parameters - Math Grade 3 (f03MAv0.ITM)

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| ;ENTRY | MEASURE | ST | T COUNT | SCORE | ERROR | IN.MSQ | IN.ZST | OUT.MS | OUT.zs | DISPL | PTBISE | WEIGHT | OBSMA | EXPMA | DISCRM | LOWER | UPPER | PVALU | PBE-E | RMSR G | R NAME |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
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Step parameters 2018 - Math Grade 3 (f03MAv0.CSF)
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11.0000
20.0000
21.0000
$3 \quad 0 \quad .0000$
31.0000

4 . 0000
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$5 \quad 0 \quad .0000$
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| 27 | 2 | 2.2045 |
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| 45 | 0 | .0000 |
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| 47 | 0 | .0000 |
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| 47 | 2 | .4215 |

## Appendix C - Winsteps Anchor File (Grade 3 Reading)

Item Anchor File (G03RDv0anchors.txt IAF)

$$
\begin{array}{rl}
30 & -1.2469 \\
23 & -.6402 \\
28 & -.8052 \\
24 & -.3949 \\
26 & -.8520 \\
1 & -.5881 \\
10 & .4559 \\
32 & .6463 \\
17 & .9736 \\
18 & -.1466 \\
19 & .2362
\end{array}
$$

Step Parameter Anchor File (G03RDv0anchors.SAF)
; ITEM CATEGORY Rasch-Andrich threshold MEASURE

Appendix D - Winsteps Score File (Grade 3 reading)
PERSON SCORE FILE FOR C: \K-PREP\K-PREP_2018\data_2018\WINSTEP\g03RDv0.con Jul 12 11:50 2018 USCALE=1.00

| SCORE | MEASURE | S.E. | INFO | NORMED | S.E. | FREQUENCY | \% | CUM. FRE | \% | ERCENTILE |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 0 | -5.3568 | 2.0099 | . 25 | -39 | 175 | 163 | . 3 | 163 | . 3 | 1 |
| 1 | -3.9406 | 1.0199 | . 96 | 84 | 89 | 4 | . 0 | 167 | . 3 | 1 |
| 2 | -3.2070 | . 7355 | 1.85 | 148 | 64 | 6 | . 0 | 173 | . 3 | 1 |
| 3 | -2.7602 | . 6124 | 2.67 | 187 | 53 | 13 | . 0 | 186 | . 4 | 1 |
| 4 | -2.4304 | . 5408 | 3.42 | 216 | 47 | 44 | . 1 | 230 | . 5 | 1 |
| 5 | -2.1644 | . 4933 | 4.11 | 239 | 43 | 74 | . 1 | 304 | . 6 | 1 |
| 6 | -1.9383 | . 4593 | 4.74 | 259 | 40 | 126 | . 2 | 430 | . 8 | 1 |
| 7 | -1.7394 | . 4337 | 5.32 | 276 | 38 | 205 | . 4 | 635 | 1.3 | 1 |
| 8 | -1.5601 | . 4138 | 5.84 | 292 | 36 | 324 | . 6 | 959 | 1.9 | 2 |
| 9 | -1.3955 | . 3981 | 6.31 | 306 | 35 | 416 | . 8 | 1375 | 2.7 | 2 |
| 10 | -1.2422 | . 3854 | 6.73 | 320 | 34 | 521 | 1.0 | 1896 | 3.7 | 3 |
| 11 | -1.0978 | . 3750 | 7.11 | 332 | 33 | 610 | 1.2 | 2506 | 4.9 | 4 |
| 12 | -. 9604 | . 3666 | 7.44 | 344 | 32 | 706 | 1.4 | 3212 | 6.3 | 6 |
| 13 | -. 8286 | . 3597 | 7.73 | 356 | 31 | 791 | 1.6 | 4003 | 7.9 | 7 |
| 14 | -. 7013 | . 3542 | 7.97 | 367 | 31 | 899 | 1.8 | 4902 | 9.7 | 9 |
| 15 | -. 5775 | . 3497 | 8.18 | 378 | 31 | 948 | 1.9 | 5850 | 11.5 | 11 |
| 16 | -. 4564 | . 3463 | 8.34 | 388 | 30 | 1033 | 2.0 | 6883 | 13.6 | 13 |
| 17 | -. 3374 | . 3438 | 8.46 | 399 | 30 | 1106 | 2.2 | 7989 | 15.7 | 15 |
| 18 | -. 2198 | . 3421 | 8.55 | 409 | 30 | 1292 | 2.5 | 9281 | 18.3 | 17 |
| 19 | -. 1032 | . 3412 | 8.59 | 419 | 30 | 1483 | 2.9 | 10764 | 21.2 | 20 |
| 20 | . 0131 | . 3410 | 8.60 | 429 | 30 | 1546 | 3.0 | 12310 | 24.2 | 23 |
| 21 | . 1296 | . 3416 | 8.57 | 440 | 30 | 1719 | 3.4 | 14029 | 27.6 | 26 |
| 22 | . 2468 | . 3430 | 8.50 | 450 | 30 | 1742 | 3.4 | 15771 | 31.1 | 29 |
| 23 | . 3651 | . 3451 | 8.39 | 460 | 30 | 1820 | 3.6 | 17591 | 34.6 | 33 |
| 24 | . 4852 | . 3481 | 8.25 | 471 | 30 | 2041 | 4.0 | 19632 | 38.7 | 37 |
| 25 | . 6077 | . 3520 | 8.07 | 481 | 31 | 2282 | 4.5 | 21914 | 43.2 | 41 |
| 26 | . 7333 | . 3569 | 7.85 | 492 | 31 | 2319 | 4.6 | 24233 | 47.7 | 45 |
| 27 | . 8627 | . 3629 | 7.59 | 504 | 32 | 25325 | 5.0 | 26765 | 52.7 | 50 |
| 28 | . 9970 | . 3702 | 7.30 | 515 | 32 | 2552 | 5.0 | 29317 | 57.7 | 55 |
| 29 | 1.1373 | . 3791 | 6.96 | 528 | 33 | 2601 | 5.1 | 31918 | 62.9 | 60 |
| 30 | 1.2850 | . 3899 | 6.58 | 540 | 34 | 2615 | 5.2 | 34533 | 68.0 | 65 |
| 31 | 1.4420 | . 4030 | 6.16 | 554 | 35 | 2709 | 5.3 | 37242 | 73.3 | 71 |
| 32 | 1.6108 | . 4192 | 5.69 | 569 | 37 | 2613 | 5.1 | 39855 | 78.5 | 76 |
| 33 | 1.7949 | . 4395 | 5.18 | 585 | 38 | 2627 | 5.2 | 42482 | 83.7 | 81 |
| 34 | 1.9991 | . 4654 | 4.62 | 603 | 41 | 2490 | 4.9 | 44972 | 88.6 | 86 |
| 35 | 2.2312 | . 4996 | 4.01 | 623 | 44 | 2072 | 4.1 | 47044 | 92.7 | 91 |
| 36 | 2.5039 | . 5473 | 3.34 | 647 | 48 | 1597 3 | 3.1 | 48641 | 95.8 | 94 |
| 37 | 2.8410 | . 6187 | 2.61 | 676 | 54 | 1131 | 2.2 | 49772 | 98.0 | 97 |
| 38 | 3.2961 | . 7414 | 1.82 | 716 | 65 | 668 | 1.3 | 50440 | 99.3 | 99 |
| 39 | 4.0389 | 1.0246 | . 95 | 781 | 89 | 267 | . 5 | 50707 | 99.9 | 99 |
| 40 | 5.4627 | 2.0125 | . 25 | 905 | 176 | 69 | 1 | 50776 | 100.0 | 99 |

## Appendix E - Comparison of Files Output (Math Grade 3)

Item Parameter Differences - Math Grade 3

| obs | NAME | mEASURE_diff | Rasch1_diff | Rasch2_diff | Rasch3_diff | Rasch4_diff | Rasch5_diff |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | 200017 | - 0 | 0 | 0 | . | . | . |
| 2 | 200021 | - | 0 | 0 | . | - | . |
| 3 | 200036 | - 0 | 0 | 0 | . | . | . |
| 4 | 200040 | 0 | 0 | 0 | . | . | . |
| 5 | 200053 | 0 | 0 | 0 | . | . | . |
| 6 | 200093 | 0 | 0 | 0 | . | . | . |
| 7 | 200095 | - 0 | 0 | 0 | . | . | . |
| 8 | 200109 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | . | . |
| 9 | 200115 | - | 0 | 0 | . | . | . |
| 10 | 200126 | - 0 | 0 | 0 | . | . | . |
| 11 | 200128 | 0 | 0 | 0 | . | . | . |
| 12 | 200142 | - 0 | 0 | 0 | . | . | . |
| 13 | 200143 | 0 | 0 | 0 | . | . | . |
| 14 | 200151 | 0 | 0 | 0 | . | . | . |
| 15 | 200218 | 0 | 0 | 0 | . | - | . |
| 16 | 200221 | - | 0 | 0 | 0 | . | . |
| 17 | 200224 | - 0 | 0 | 0 | . | . | . |
| 18 | 200227 | - 0 | 0 | 0 | . | . | . |
| 19 | 200244 | - 0 | 0 | 0 | . | . | - |
| 20 | 200252 | 20 | 0 | 0 | . | . | . |
| 21 | 200322 | - 0 | 0 | 0 | . | . | . |
| 22 | 200323 | - | 0 | 0 | . | . | . |
| 23 | 200532 | - 0 | 0 | 0 | . | . | . |
| 24 | 200533 | 0 | 0 | 0 | . | . | - |
| 25 | 200534 | - 0 | 0 | 0 | . | . | . |
| 26 | 202400 | 0 | 0 | 0 | . | - | . |
| 27 | 202405 | - 0 | 0 | 0 | . | . | . |
| 28 | 202412 | - | 0 | 0 | . | . | . |
| 29 | 202413 | 0 | 0 | 0 | . | . | . |
| 30 | 202419 | 0 | 0 | 0 | . | . | . |
| 31 | 202420 | 0 | 0 | 0 | . | . | . |
| 32 | 202429 | - 0 | 0 | 0 | . | . | . |
| 33 | м3002 | 0 | 0 | 0 | . | . | . |
| 34 | Мз003 | 0 | 0 | 0 | . | . | . |
| 35 | M3006 | 0 | 0 | 0 | . | . | . |
| 36 | M3008 | 0 | 0 | 0 | . | . | . |
| 37 | M3009 | 0 | 0 | 0 | . | . | . |
| 38 | M3013 | 0 | 0 | 0 | . | . | . |
| 39 | M3020 | 0 | 0 | 0 | . | . | . |
| 40 | M3022 | 0 | 0 | 0 | . | . | . |
| 41 | M3025 | 0 | 0 | 0 | . | . | . |
| 42 | M3029 | 0 | 0 | 0 | . | . | . |
| 43 | M3032 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | . | . |
| 44 | M3037 | 0 | 0 | 0 | . | . | . |
| 45 | M3038 | 0 | 0 | 0 | . | . | . |
| 46 | M3058 | 0 | 0 | 0 | - | . | . |
| 47 | M3080 | 0 | 0 | 0 | . | $\cdot$ | . |

All RSSS Differences - Math Grade 3

| Obs | rs | theta_ diff | SS_ <br> diff | $\begin{aligned} & \text { PL_} \\ & \text { diff } \end{aligned}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 2 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 3 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 4 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 5 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 6 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 7 | 6 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 8 | 7 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 9 | 8 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 10 | 9 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 11 | 10 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 12 | 11 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 13 | 12 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
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| 43 | 42 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 44 | 43 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 45 | 44 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 46 | 45 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 47 | 46 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 48 | 47 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 49 | 48 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 50 | 49 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 51 | 50 | 0 | 0 | 0 |


[^0]:    ${ }^{1}$ For additional details on how the assessment system and third-party checking procedures changed, see Bynum and Thacker (2013).
    ${ }^{2}$ For additional information on how writing was calibrated and scaled, see K-PREP ODW Calibration and Scaling Specs v0.4.docx.
    ${ }^{3}$ K-PREP Sp18 Calibration, Equating and Scaling Specs v2.0.docx.

[^1]:    ${ }^{4}$ HumRRO used Winsteps version 3-73-00 for this project.

