

Test Coordinator Monthly Webinar



September 16, 2026

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Agenda for September 16, 2026

Preparing for the 2026-27 RI State Assessments

- Overview of the RI State Assessment Program
- Testing Calendar for State Assessments
- Test Coordinator Handbook
- Training Calendar
- Bi-Weekly Update Memos
- Updating the Master/School Directory

Individual Test Updates

- ACCESS, RICAS, PSAT 10/SAT, DLM, NAEP, NGSA

Assessment Results for 2025-26

- Review of Individual Student Report Policy
- Review of ADP/SDP Resources

Resource Information

2026-2027 Test Coordinator Monthly Webinars

Details:

- **Who:** district and school test coordinators, special education directors, EL directors, data managers, technology coordinators
- **What:** pertinent information about state assessments, including monthly tasks, to support schools and LEAs in a successful test administration year

Registration:

Registration 1 (September-November)

https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_vO0lH9HbTx6ZPkzEGAhEhg

Registration 2 (Dec-June)

https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_yBuf_6BERvOTMoKkk92MSQ

Monthly Test Coordinator Calendar (Wednesdays at 10:00 AM)	
October 21, 2026	March 10, 2027
November 18, 2026	April 14, 2027
December 9, 2026	May 12, 2027
January 13, 2027	June 9, 2027
February 10, 2027	

Preparing for the 2026-27 RI State Assessments

State Assessments by Grade Level

	Alternate Assessments			General Education Assessments					
Grade Tested	WIDA Alternate ACCESS	DLM	DLM	WIDA ACCESS	NGSA	RICAS	PSAT10	SAT	NAEP
	<i>ELP</i>	<i>ELA & Math</i>	<i>Science</i>	<i>ELP</i>	<i>Science</i>	<i>ELA & Math</i>	<i>ELA & Math</i>	<i>ELA & Math</i>	
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Best Practices for Selecting Your Testing Windows

1. Determine how many staff you will need before selecting your testing window.
2. Use as much of the state testing window as possible. Even if your school testing window is over, if you're within the state assessment window, you can continue testing.
3. Plan to test 100% of students in each content area.
4. Start as early in the state primary testing window as possible.
5. Adhere to the state testing window for make-up testing.

2026-2027 State Assessment Calendar: Elementary & Middle School

State testing windows are posted at www.ride.ri.gov/Assessment-Schedules

Test	Content Area(s)	Grades	Primary Test Window	Makeup Test Window
WIDA ACCESS	ELP	K-12	January 4 – February 12, 2027	February 15 – February 26, 2027
WIDA Alternate ACCESS	ELP	K-12	January 4 – February 12, 2027	February 15 – February 26, 2027
RICAS	ELA	3-8	March 22-April 9, 2027	April 12-April 16, 2027
	Math	3-8	April 26-May 14, 2027	May 17-May 21, 2027
DLM	ELA, Math Science	3-8 5, 8, 11	March 29 – May 28, 2027	
NGSA	Science	5, 8, 11	April 26 – May 14, 2027	May 17 – May 28, 2027
NAEP	<i>See following slide.</i>			

2026-2027 State Assessment Calendar: High School

State testing windows are posted at www.ride.ri.gov/Assessment-Schedules

Test	Content Area(s)	Grades	Primary Test Window	Makeup Test Window
WIDA ACCESS	ELP	K-12	January 4 – February 12, 2027	February 15 – February 26, 2027
WIDA Alternate ACCESS	ELP	K-12	January 4 – February 12, 2027	February 15 – February 26, 2027
DLM	ELA, Math Science	3-8, 11 5, 8, 11	March 29 – May 28, 2027	
PSAT 10	Reading, Math	10	March 22-April 9, 2027	April 12-April 16, 2027
RI SAT School Day	Reading, Math	11	March 22-April 9, 2027	April 12-April 16, 2027
NGSA	Science	5, 8, 11	April 26 – May 14, 2027	May 17 – May 28, 2027

2026-2027 State Assessment Calendar: NAEP

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Test	Content Area(s)	Grades/Ages	Test Window Opens	Test Window Closes
NAEP Pilot*	Science	Grade 8	January 25, 2027	March 19, 2027
TIMSS**	Mathematics & Science	4 & 8	March 2027	May 2027

Not all schools will be selected for every test.

* NAEP Pilot: National Assessment of Educational Progress Pilot – no Rhode Island schools selected for 2027 Grade 8 NAEP Pilot.

** TIMSS: Trends in Mathematics & Science Study – Rhode Island schools have been selected in the sample. First round of RI schools have been notified. Other schools may be selected prior to March 2027.

NAEP 2026 - National Assessment of Educational Progress

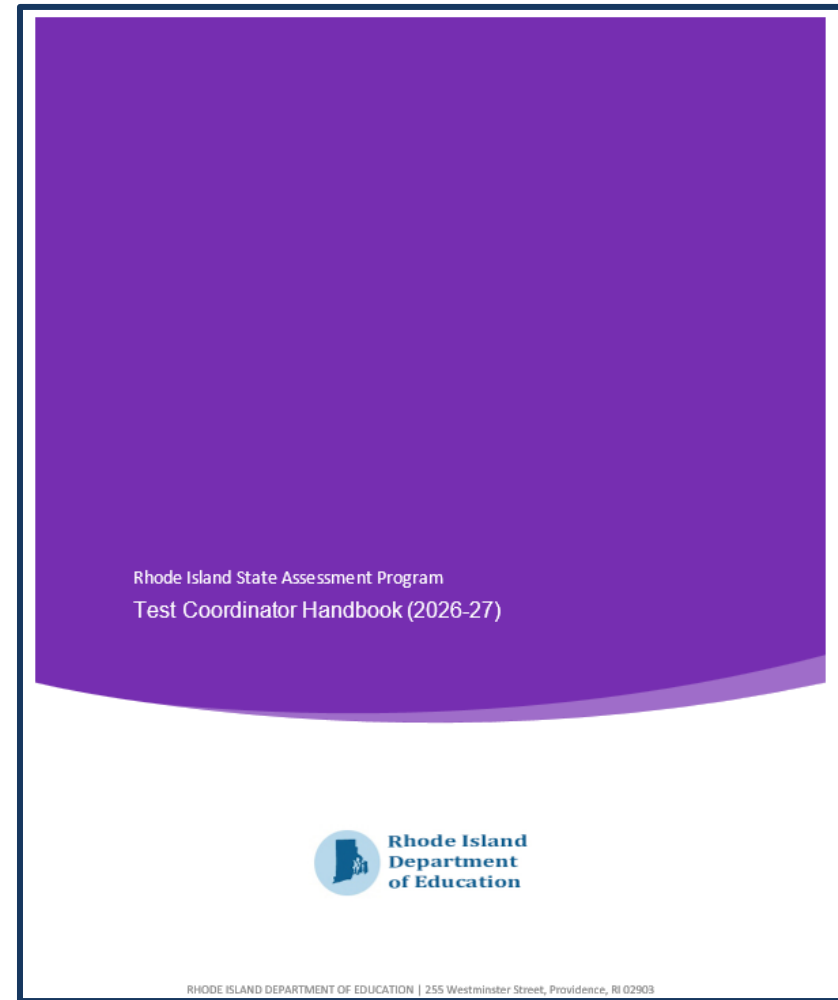
TIMSS - Trends in International Mathematics & Science Study



TIMSS	
Grades Tested	4,8
Subjects(s)	Mathematics & Science
Dates	March – May 2027
Number of students tested	Approx. 2 intact classrooms
Testing Experience	Digital & adaptive, each student receives blocks of both math and science
Testing time required	2.5 hours includes setup, instructions, Parts I & II, breaks, student questionnaire
Testing equipment	Provided by field staff
Test Administration	RTI field staff
Other	Participation incentives School & teacher questionnaires

Test Coordinator Handbook

[Rhode Island State Assessment Program \(RISAP\) Test Coordinator Information | RI Department of Education](#)



2026-2027 RISAP Training Calendar

Training calendar is posted at: <http://www.ride.ri.gov/assessment-manuals>

Rhode Island State Assessment Program: Guide to Required Training

This document contains training requirements for district and school test coordinators, their teams, and test administrators for the 2026-27 Rhode Island State Assessments.

More information is at <http://www.ride.ri.gov/assessment-manuals>



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- Training requirements for each state assessment.
- Dates for test coordinator and test administrator trainings for all assessments.
- Links to register.

Upcoming Training

Assessment/Title of Training	Dates/Times	Registration Link
Using PSAT 10 Assessment Results for Instructional Planning <i>For School test coordinators, instructional coaches, department heads, interventionists, and principals.</i>	September 23 (9:00 -11:30 AM)	https://www.eride.ri.gov/workshopreg/ViewWorkshop.aspx?workshopid=2085
WIDA ACCESS & WIDA Alternate ACCESS Test Coordinator Training <i>For district and school test coordinators and MLL Directors</i>	• November 23 (9:00 - 11:30 AM) • November 23 (12:30 - 3:00 PM) • November 24 (9:00 - 11:30 AM) • November 24 (12:30 - 3:00 PM)	https://www.eride.ri.gov/workshopreg/ViewWorkshop.aspx?workshopid=2086

RI State Assessment Test Coordinator's Memo

September 11, 2026

Monthly Test Coordinator Webinars and Bi-Weekly Memos

Test Coordinator Monthly Webinar Series is designed for test coordinators and anyone involved in preparing for our state assessments. We encourage broad participation and look forward to your engagement.

Please join us for our **2026-2027 Test Coordinator Monthly Webinar** series beginning on Wednesday, **September 16, 2026**, from 10:00-11:00 AM. Use the links below to register:

👉 [September through November](#)

👉 [December through June](#)

Bi-weekly assessment memos contain important and time-sensitive information necessary to support test coordinators in planning for a successful state assessment season—if someone on your team is not receiving them, please have them reach out to Assessment@ride.ri.gov so they can be added to the listserv.



Visit the [Rhode Island Department of Education State Assessment](#) webpage!

Helpful Links and Resources:

[Rhode Island State Assessment Program \(RISAP\) Test Coordinator Information | RI Department of Education](#)

[Rhode Island State Assessment Testing Windows](#)

[2026-2027 Test Coordinator Training Calendar](#)

[2025-2026 Assessment Reporting Calendar](#)

[2026-2027 Test Coordinator Handbook](#)

[RI State Assessment Results](#)

[Assessment Released Items and Practice Tests](#)

Bi-Weekly Update Memos

RIDE will send bi-weekly memos with information and updates for all state assessments to school and district test coordinators and special education directors.

All memos are posted at www.ride.ri.gov/tc if you missed one!

NOTE: If you are new to your role, please email assessment@ride.ri.gov to be added to our contact list.

Update Master/School Directory

- There are now two ways to access RIDE's master/school directory:
 1. The public Data Center website: <https://datacenter.ride.ri.gov/Directory> (does not display emails)
 2. Through the confidential [RIDE Portal](#). Click on the *Master Directory* icon under *Public Applications*.
- RIDE uses roles in the master directory to create test coordinator accounts in each test platform and update the assessment listserv. RIDE also uses the physical addresses in the directory to ship test materials.
- Updating information in the directory has two steps:
 1. Email changes to anyone serving in the test coordinator role to assessment@ride.ri.gov.
 2. Inform your **data manager** of changes to the Master Directory. Data managers will make the changes in the Master Directory. Make sure your school and district addresses are correct and make sure the following roles are assigned, even if the person's title is different:
 - District Test Coordinator
 - School Test Coordinator
 - Principal
 - Data Manager
 - Technology Coordinator/Manager
 - SSD Coordinator (for schools administering SAT and PSAT 10)
- **Data Managers:** contact Mario Goncalves at mario.goncalves@ride.ri.gov for help.

Master Directory View in Data Center

<https://datacenter.ride.ri.gov/Directory>



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Contact

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Barrington

LEA Information

LEA Code: 01

LEA Type: Traditional School District

NCES Code: 4400030

Grade Span: PK - 12

Status: Active

Location(s)

Physical Location

283 County Road

Barrington, RI 02806

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Title: Director of Administration & Finance

Role(s): Business Manager

Ruth Corley

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Assist. Superintendent Curriculum, Inst., Assess.

Kristen Matthes

Title: Director of Special Education

Role(s): Special Education Director

David Burrows

Title: Director of Technology

Role(s): Director of Information Technology

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Master Directory View in RIDE Portal (example)

<https://portal.ride.ri.gov/Account/Login> (click on the *Master Directory* icon under *Public Applications*)



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Organization Summary
[Search For Organization](#) [Education Directory Reports](#)

LEA Information:
Name: [Barrington](#)
Code: 01
Type: LEA
NCES Code: 4400030
Comments:

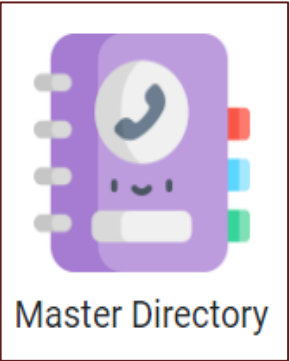
Parent :
Start Date:
Grade Span: PK - 12
RI Relay#:

Status: Active
End Date:
Level:
TDD#:
Region: East Bay

Location(s):
Type: Physical Location
Address: 283 County Road
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[VIEW MAP](#) 

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Master Directory

Individual Test Updates

2026-27

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WIDA ACCESS & Alternate ACCESS: Getting Started

WIDA Home Page: <https://wida.wisc.edu/>

Testing Dates

11/20/26 - 2/26/27	WIDA AMS Test Setup Available for Registrations
12/16/26	Districts Receive Test Materials
1/4/27 - 2/12/27	Test Window
2/15/27 - 2/26/27	Make-Up Test Window
12/16/26 - 2/12/27	Additional Test Material Ordering Window in WIDA AMS
3/3/27	Deadline for Shipping Completed Test Materials to DRC - Postmark date
4/28/27	Districts Receive ACCESS and Alternate ACCESS Reports and Data - Posted in WIDA AMS
5/14/27	Districts Receive Printed ACCESS and Alternate ACCESS Reports
6/8/27	Updated ACCESS and Alternate ACCESS Data - Posted in WIDA AMS for SEA and Districts

Member/State Pages ▾ Login ▾

Nevada

New Hampshire

New Jersey

New Mexico

North Carolina

North Dakota

Northern Mariana Islands

Oklahoma

Palau

Pennsylvania

Rhode Island

South Carolina

Requirements and Resources

See below for state-specific information and resources related to ELL assessment, including your state's ACCESS for ELLs Checklist, which can find each step in the ACCESS testing process from beginning to end.

ACCESS for ELLs Online Checklist

ACCESS for ELLs Paper Checklist

WIDA ACCESS & Alternate ACCESS: What's new?

Resource: [What to know: WIDA assessments in the 2026-2027 school year](#)

The screenshot shows the WIDA website header with the logo and navigation links: Assess, Teach, Grow, Research, About, News, Resources. The article title is "What to know: WIDA assessments in the 2026-2027 school year". Below the title is a date "August 7, 2026" and a paragraph introducing the article. To the right of the text is an illustration of two people reading a document. Below the text is a section titled "Connect with WIDA" with social media icons for Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, LinkedIn, and YouTube. To the right of this is a section titled "Nominate an Educator" with a "Submit a Nomination" button. Below the text is a section titled "Latest News" with a list of recent articles and their dates. At the bottom of the article is a section titled "ACCESS" with a link to "Changes to the 'look and feel' of Individual Student Reports".

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What to know: WIDA assessments in the 2026-2027 school year

News < What to know: WIDA assessments in the 2026-2027 school year

August 7, 2026

Before we talk about what's new with WIDA assessments, we recognize that sometimes you just need a simple question answered, and you don't always have time to find a WIDA resource or manual. We want to remind you that our [classroom specialists](#) are just a phone call or email away! All of us at WIDA appreciate you and want to make sure you have what you need to best support students and their families.

Back to what's new! In this article, we guide you through a list of what's new with WIDA ACCESS (ACCESS), WIDA MODEL (MODEL) and WIDA Screener (Screener) in the 2026-2027 school year (topics appear in alphabetical order). In each "In Case You Missed It" section, we highlight something you may have missed.

Pro Tip: Attend the [Welcome Back: What's New in 2026-2027 webinar](#) on September 1 at 1:00 p.m. CT to get the following information in webinar format. Find more info on this webinar and all other assessment webinars in the WIDA Secure Portal on the [Webinars page](#).

Accessibility and accommodations

One of our priorities at WIDA is to improve the accessibility of our assessments for all students. As part of our efforts to do that and meet Web Content Accessibility Guidelines (WCAG), we added two new accommodations and several accessibility features to WIDA Screener Online and WIDA ACCESS Online for the 2026-2027 school year.

The following list highlights the new and updated accommodations:

- **Assistive Technology (AT)** is a new accommodation that allows students with hearing, visual, cognitive or physical disabilities to use specific external devices or third-party software to access and interact with test content.
- **Speech-to-text (STT)** is a new accommodation. It is third-party software that uses voice recognition to convert speech into written text in applications and text boxes.
- **Manual Control of Item Audio (MC)** is now only applicable to WIDA ACCESS Paper and WIDA Screener Paper. New this school year: All students taking WIDA ACCESS Online and WIDA Screener Online will select the Play button on each screen to begin playing audio. The audio will no longer play automatically.

We also made accessibility updates that affect the overall testing experience for students. Some of these updates include improving color contrast in test items, replacing drag-and-drop response methods and giving the Speaking domain a new user interface for the microphone check and the recording buttons.

In Case You Missed It

Get all the details on the accessibility updates and new accommodations in the [WIDA Screener and WIDA ACCESS Get Accessibility Updates for 2026-2027 news article](#).

ACCESS

Changes to the 'look and feel' of Individual Student Reports

Learn about the latest resources, exchange ideas and engage in discussion.

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Nominate an Educator

WIDA's Featured Educator is a monthly feature article that highlights classroom, district, or state-level educators who are making a difference in the lives of multilingual learners. Nominate an outstanding colleague today!

Submit a Nomination

Latest News

[Back to school for 2026-2027](#)
Sep 8, 2026

[WIDA announces 2026-2027 WIDA Fellows cohort](#)
Sep 1, 2026

[What's ahead at the 2026 WIDA Annual Conference](#)
Aug 17, 2026

[What to know: WIDA Core Learning Collection](#)
Aug 11, 2026

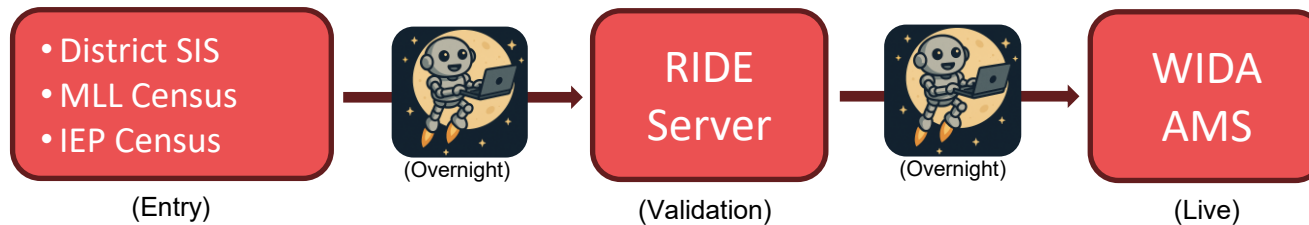
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Aug 7, 2026

- Two new accommodations: **Assistive technology (AT)** and **Speech-to-text (STT)**
- Several new accessibility features, including **Manual Control of Item Audio (MC)** for WIDA ACCESS Online
- New **WIDA ACCESS Braille: Administration** training course
- Post-ACCESS Standard Setting resources forthcoming

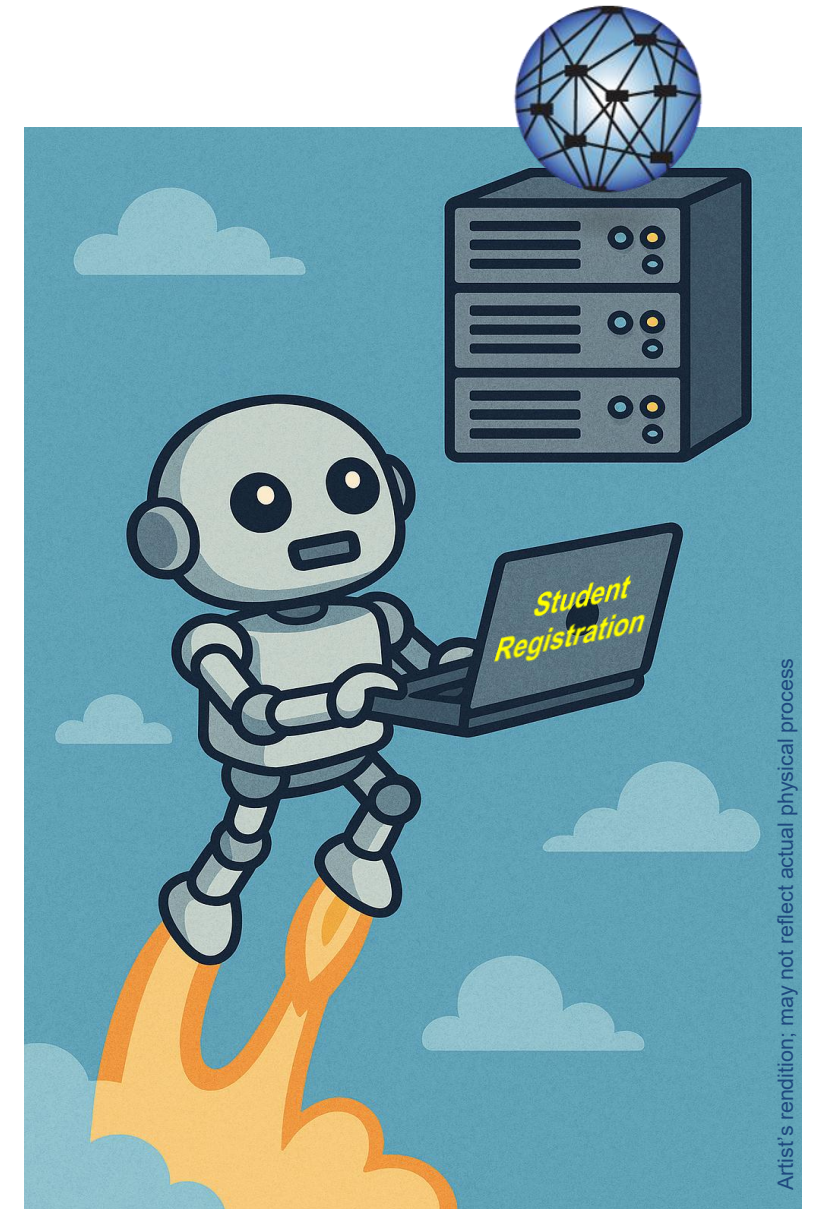
WIDA ACCESS Student Registration

New for 2026-27: Registration for ACCESS online will be sent overnight to WIDA AMS.

- On **November 2**, RIDE will begin sending student data nightly to WIDA AMS
- Changes you make to student enrollment system, MLL Census and IEP Census will be reflected within 48 hours in WIDA AMS



- You must check:
 - ☐ Enrollment Census to ensure students have an active enrollment record,
 - ☐ MLL Census to ensure students have an active service line for SY 2026-27,
 - ☐ IEP Census to ensure students taking Alternate ACCESS have the Alt flag (Alt. Assessment = 3), and
 - ☐ data for outplaced students are updated by sending district.



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RICAS Updates and Reminders

2027 ELA Test Design:

As a reminder, the **RICAS ELA** test will be based on the new test design this Spring.

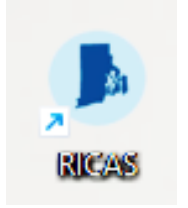
- **Stand-alone items will assess the grade-level language standards, including standard English grammar, mechanics, and usage.**
- There will no longer be 2-point Selected Response (SR) questions. **All SR items will now be worth 1 point.**
- **Narrative *writing* will no longer be assessed** on RICAS*.
- Grades 3-5 will **no longer have "Constructed Response" Or "Essay"** questions*.
- The ELA RICAS test will now include **Extended Response (ER) item type.**
- All ELA tests will now be worth **50 points.**

**The number of and selection of RIDE approved graphic organizers will be adjusted based on the on the change in grades 3-5 writing expectations and the elimination of Narrative writing across all grades.*

For more information visit [English Language Arts Test Design and Development - Massachusetts Comprehensive Assessment System](#) or see the Massachusetts presentation below:

Bowler, Katie and Carithers, Amy. (May 11, 2026) **MCAS Grades 3–8 ELA 2027 Test Design Changes**” webinar, DESE. [Gr 3–8 ELA Test Design Changes Beginning in 2027 - MCAS Resource Center](#)

RICAS Updates and Reminders



Individual Score Reports (ISRs):

Paper ISRs are being phased out.

- For the 2026 RICAS administration, schools will be provided **one** printed paper ISR for each student this Fall instead of two. The printed copy should be sent home to parents, and an additional copy should be made for the student's record.
- Paper ISRs will no longer be provided to schools beginning in **Fall 2027. All ISRs will need to be accessed electronically on the RICAS Portal.**



Districts should begin to plan and practice strategies for sharing the electronic ISRs with families in preparation for this change.

2027 RICAS KIOSK Updates

- There will be a new RICAS Kiosk Windows application option for RICAS test delivery for Spring 2027, designed to provide greater flexibility and simplified maintenance for districts and schools.
- During testing with ChromeOS 150 Beta, eMetric identified an issue affecting PWA kiosk applications configured without a trailing forward slash (/) at the end of the application URL.
 - Refer to Step 3, #5 of the [Guide to Installing the RICAS Student Kiosk and Conducting Site Readiness](#) help guide.

RICAS Updates and Reminders

RICAS Family Portal

- provides online access to a student's individual performance data;
- tracks assessment information throughout the student's academic career;
- families will use their students' SASID and date of birth;
- each parent and guardian can create their own account, and up to three adults can add the same student to their account;
- up to ten students can be added to each account;

The screenshot shows the RICAS Family Portal login interface. At the top, there is a header with the RIDE logo (Rhode Island Department of Education) and a link to log in to see student results. Below the header, a message states that RICAS ELA and Mathematics Results have been released for Spring 2025. The page is divided into two main sections: 'First Time Users' and 'Returning Users'. The 'First Time Users' section prompts the user to enter their student's SASID and date of birth. It includes a text input for the 'Student ID (SASID)' with a placeholder '10-digit Student ID', and a date of birth section with three dropdown menus for 'MM', 'DD', and 'YY'. There is a 'Where's my Student ID?' link and a 'Go' button. The 'Returning Users' section prompts the user to enter their email and password. It includes text inputs for 'Email' (placeholder 'Input Your Email') and 'Password' (placeholder 'Input Your Password'). There is a 'Forgot Password?' link and a 'Go' button. A link for 'En Español' is located in the top right corner.

SAT/PSAT 10 Updates and Reminders

New for 2027! SAT Suite Ordering and Registration (SSOR) Update:

In lieu of the *College Board Onboarding Survey* that is sent to test coordinators each Fall, schools and districts will now update contact information and provide answers to the survey questions directly into the **SSOR** system. The SSOR includes functionality for test coordinators to update contact information in *real time*. This WILL NOT replace the need to update all contact information in the [RIDE Master Directory](#).

- The SSOR **WILL NOT** be utilized for *registration* purposes for state assessment; only contact information can be updated in SSOR for schools and districts pertaining to state assessment. All state assessment registration will continue to be done by RIDE through a nightly feed. *Tests and student registration **SHOULD NOT** be ordered for state assessments by schools or districts in any way.*

More information to come on this new process!

SAT/PSAT 10 Updates and Reminders

Bluebook Chrome Verified Mode:

Chrome Verified mode *must* now be enabled on Chromebooks. This setting enhances test security, and schools are encouraged to configure it in the Admin console before the next test administration. [Learn how to enable verified mode on Chromebooks.](#)

- Students **will not be able to test** moving forward without Chrome Verified mode enabled (*this includes fall testing*).

College Board Newsletters and Checklists:

College Board will continue to send out monthly newsletters and interactive checklists beginning in November and RIDE will continue to post them at www.ride.ri.gov/tc.

- Interactive Checklists will include only definitive action items.
- Interactive Checklist will be sent only to **primary test coordinators**.

Reminder for educators who have children taking either the SAT or the PSAT 10 this year:

Can be school test coordinator	Cannot be school test coordinator	Can proctor	Cannot proctor
My child is taking the SAT or PSAT 10 in <i>another</i> school.	My child is taking the SAT or PSAT 10 <i>in the school</i> in which I am the test coordinator.	I’m proctoring for SAT and my child is taking the PSAT 10 or vice versa.	I’m proctoring the same test my child is taking.

DLM Alternate Assessment

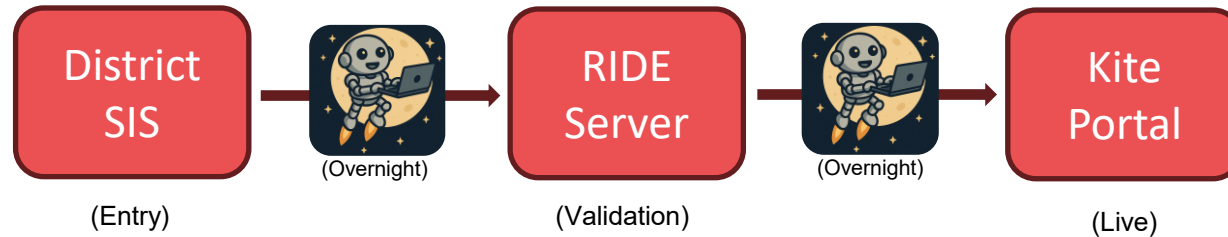
Test Administrator training modules are available now through Kite Educator Portal:

1. Log in to Kite Educator Portal and click *yes* to the security agreement.
 2. Wait 30 minutes for Educator Portal to update before starting the modules.
- If teachers complete the modules now, they won't have to complete them in the spring.
 - To add teachers and create accounts, log in to Kite Educator Portal and select Users. *If a teacher administered DLM last year and is new to your district this year, contact Heather Heineke to transfer their account.*

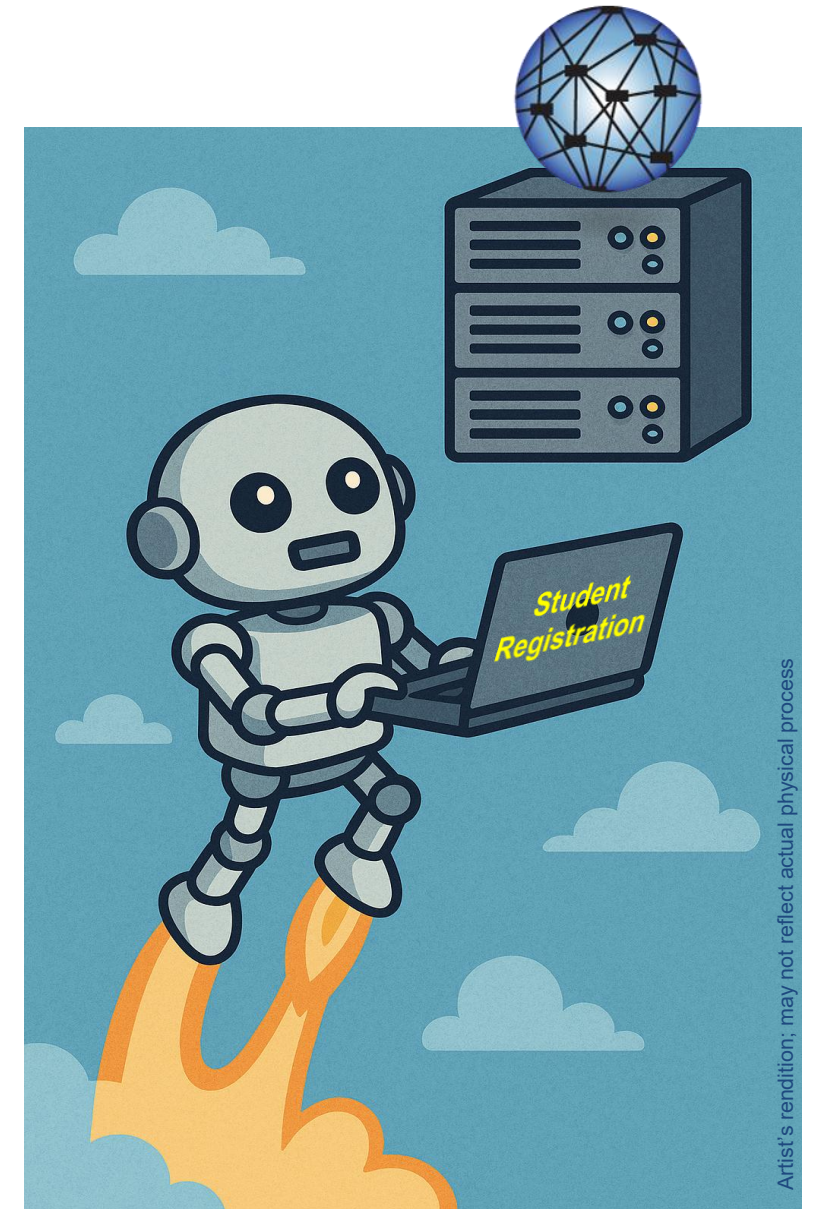
DLM Student Registration

Registration for DLM sent overnight to the Kite Educator Portal

- On October 5, RIDE will begin updating student data nightly on Kite Educator Portal
- Changes you make to student enrollment and eligibility status in the enrollment census will be reflected in the Kite Educator Portal within 48 hours



- You must check:
 - ☐ IEP Census to ensure students have the Alt flag (Alt. Assessment = 3), and
 - ☐ Enrollment Census (to ensure student has an active enrollment record)
 - ☐ Outplaced students must be updated by sending district



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Moving to the DLM Instructionally Embedded Model

A new approach to Rhode Island's alternate assessment for students with the most significant cognitive disabilities

For District Special Education Directors • Test Coordinators • Principals • Teachers

Why We're Changing



Stronger Instructional Support

We're giving teachers a model that supports instruction all year long.

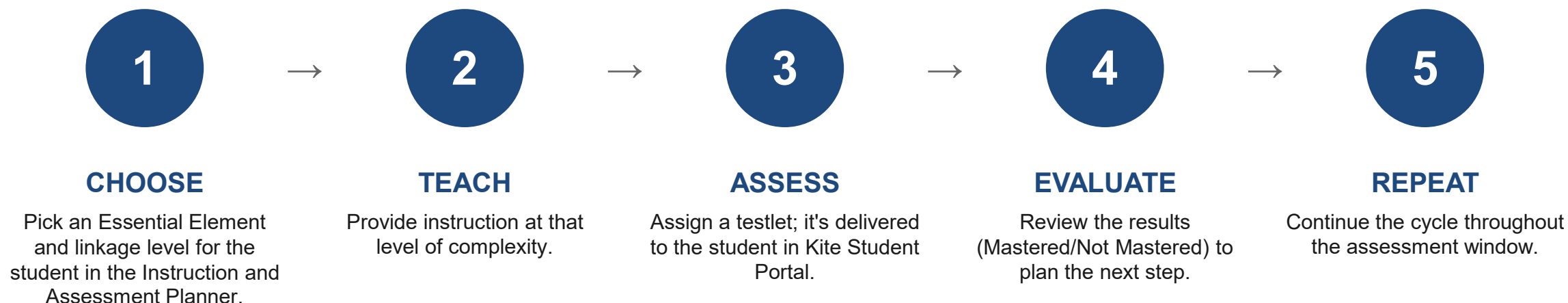
DLM will continue to be Rhode Island's alternate assessment.

What's changing is when and how it's given — shifting from a single spring test to assessment embedded in instruction throughout the year.

This shift affects students in grades 3–8 and 11 who participate in DLM assessments in ELA, Mathematics, and Science.

How the Instructionally Embedded Model Works

A continuous cycle repeated throughout each assessment window, for tested Essential Elements.



Assessment informs instruction, and instruction informs assessment — the cycle repeats until blueprint requirements are met for each student.

This mirrors the DLM “Process for Instructionally Embedded Assessments” resource available on the DLM website.

Two Phases of the Transition

PHASE 1

2026–27 School Year

Practice Year

- DLM Year End model is still administered as usual this year
- Instructional Planner available Oct. – Feb. 2, 2027, for educators to practice with
- Three optional training sessions offered for teachers in October
- Participation and training for the Instructional Planner are NOT required

PHASE 2

2027–28 School Year

Required

- IE model officially replaces the Year End model
- Two testing windows (Fall and Spring) — both required
- Scores count toward state assessment and accountability reporting
- Test window dates to be announced in summer 2027



Note: Rhode Island continues to administer the required DLM Year End model during the 2026–27 school year, in addition to the Instructional Planner practice period.

Key Dates — Phase 1 (2026–27)

Sept. 23 & Oct. 21	BOTH	Special Education Director Webinars
Oct. 5	BOTH	Student registration to Kite Educator Portal begins
Oct. 24	IE PLANNER	Prerequisite tasks due (accounts, rosters, First Contact Survey)
Oct. 26–28	IE PLANNER	Instructional Planner Teacher Training (optional)
Feb. 2, 2027	IE PLANNER	Last day to use the Instructional Planner
March 8, 2027	DLM YE	DLM Test Coordinator Training (required)
March 29 – May 28	DLM YE	DLM Year End Model Testing Window — required, administered as usual

Key Dates — Phase 2 (2027–28)

Exact dates have not yet been finalized — here's what we know so far.

TBD (Fall 2027)	DLM IE	Testing Window 1 — required for all eligible students
TBD (Spring 2028)	DLM IE	Testing Window 2 — required for all eligible students
TBD	DLM IE	District Test Coordinator refresher training
Ongoing	DLM IE	Updates shared via DLM Test Updates emails and the RI DLM webpage

Questions? alternate.assessment@ride.ri.gov Watch for updates: www.ride.ri.gov/dlm

Assessment Results 2025-2026



Individual Student Score Reports (ISRs) Policy

www.ride.ri.gov/assessment-results

All ISRs (except RICAS) have been either shipped and delivered to schools or made available on the assessment platform.

Copies of ISRs are mailed to the LEA Test Coordinator listed in the RIDE Master Directory found in the [RIDE Portal](#).

- **RICAS** ISRs will arrive in districts this Fall.
- **SAT and PSAT 10** ISRs are not mailed to schools. Test coordinators must print or download ISRs from the <https://k12reports.collegeboard.org/> website.

Sending ISRs to Families:

- Families should receive ISRs no more than two months after LEAs receive them.*
- Score Report Shells in languages other than English are available for all state assessments.
- Score interpretation materials are available for teachers and families.

***NOTE:** The NGSA science and RICAS ISRs are the exception because these ISRs include state-level data that has not yet been released to the public. LEAs must wait to send the NGSA and RICAS ISRs to families until all state assessment data has been released.

Outplacement Schools:

- Sending LEAs are responsible for providing outplacement schools with ISRs for student records
- Sending LEAs are responsible for ensuring families receive ISRs.

2025-26 Assessment Data

www.ride.ri.gov/assessment-results

Available now

Test	Type of Data Available	Online Location
ACCESS & Alternate ACCESS	LEA, school, and student	WIDA AMS
DLM	LEA, school, and student	Educator Portal
RICAS	Student-level (raw data only; no scaled scores)	RICAS Portal
PSAT 10	LEA, school, and student	College Board K-12 Reporting Portal
SAT	LEA, school, and student	College Board K-12 Reporting Portal
NGSA	Student-level only	NGSA Reporting Portal

Available Winter 2027

NAEP	State and national data	The Nations's Report Card
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2025-26 Individual Student Score Reports (ISR) Calendar

www.ride.ri.gov/assessment-results



Test	Date		Online Location
	Paper (mailed)	Online	
ACCESS & Alternate ACCESS	May 22, 2026	Available Now	WIDA AMS
DLM	September 9, 2026	Available Now*	Educator Portal
RICAS	Fall 2026	Fall 2026	RICAS Portal RICAS Family Portal
PSAT 10	N/A	Available Now	College Board K-12 Reporting Portal
SAT	N/A	Available Now	College Board K-12 Reporting Portal
NGSA	September 16, 2026	Available Now	NGSA Reporting Portal

* Scores are available for district and school test coordinator roles in Kite EP. Teachers **will not** have access to score reports – make sure they receive printed copies of score reports for their students.

RICAS Early Release Data

Embargoed Data

Early release raw data files, early rosters, constructed response and released essay PDFs for RICAS are now available in the RICAS Portal.

Please note:

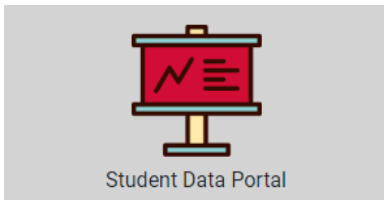
- Early release files do not contain scale scores and achievement levels.
- As in previous years, all early release data are **embargoed** until further notice and intended solely for internal educational planning.
- This data **is not to be shared outside your school.** (***This includes released essay and constructed response PDFs***)
- The files are subject to change before final reporting.

RIDE Data Portal

To access the RIDE Data Portal, visit the RIDE website:

<https://ride.ri.gov/> or go to <https://portal.ride.ri.gov> and follow these steps:

1. Click on the **Instruction and Assessment** tab at the top of the homepage.
2. Choose **Assessment** from the drop down.
3. Choose **Assessment Results** from the left.
4. Choose **RIDE Portal** and log in.
5. Once logged in, click on **All Applications** on left and find the Portal icon.



Assessment Results

This page provides links to the results of Rhode Island's statewide assessments. Below you will find results from past and current assessments and score interpretation materials.

Assessment data and interactive reports can be found on the following sites:



RI ASSESSMENT DATA
PORTAL



RIDE PORTAL

Public Access

An open link to aggregate data dashboard visualizations and downloads that provide an in-depth presentation of assessment results data by school year at the state, district and school levels, including by grade and/or student subgroups for all Rhode Island state assessments.

[Download the RIADP User Guide](#).

Educator Access Only

Districts, school administrators, and teachers can access student assessment data through the "Student Data Portal" app within the RIDE Portal.

- [SDP Teacher Level Access](#)
- [SDP District & School Level Access](#)
- [Student Data Portal User Guide](#)
- [Data Managers Super User Module Guide](#)

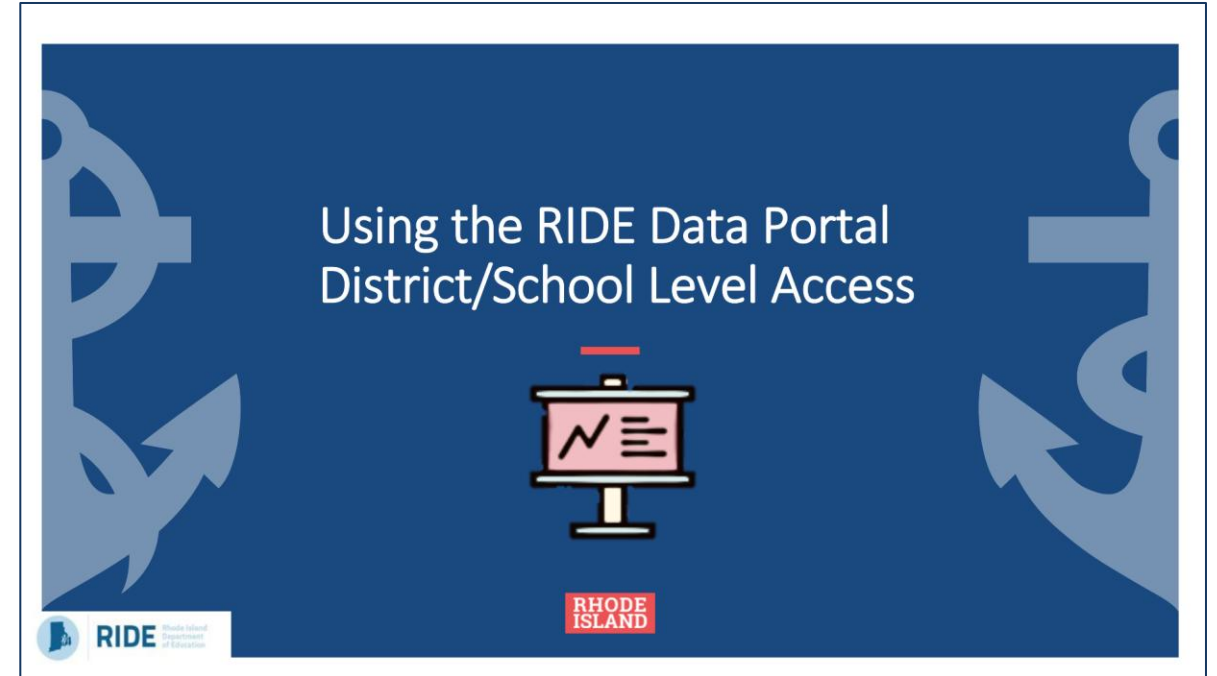
SDP/ADP Resources

Rhode Island Assessment Data Portal (ADP)

- Public website
- Aggregate RI assessment performance
- District, school, and/or grade level

RIDE Portal- Student Data Portal Application (SDP)

- Role-appropriate access
- Confidential student-level assessment data
- District, school, grade, and individual student level



Video link:

media3.ride.ri.gov/INSTRUCTION_ASSESSMENT/2024/SDP_2024.mp4

Reference Information

Primary RIDE Website Resources

Webpage Name	Contents	Link
RISAP Test Coordinator Information	Updates, memo archives, monthly webinar registration link and recording/presentation archive, help desk and general RISAP information.	https://ride.ri.gov/TC
Assessment Schedules	State testing windows for all assessments	www.ride.ri.gov/assessment-schedules
Assessment Manuals & Materials	Manuals, guides, and links to assessment websites to support administration, training requirements and resources for test coordinators and test administrators, training calendar.	https://ride.ri.gov/assessment-manuals
Assessment Accommodations	Accommodations and Accessibility Features Manual, assessment-specific resources	www.ride.ri.gov/Accommodations
Assessment Exemptions	Information about medical exemptions	www.ride.ri.gov/assessment-exemptions
Assessment Results	Assessment reporting website resources and archive	www.ride.ri.gov/Assessment-Results
Released Items / Practice Tests	Released items, practice tests, and other resources	www.ride.ri.gov/Released-Items

Assessment Office Resources

- **Assessment Mailbox:** assessment@ride.ri.gov
- **Alternate Assessment Mailbox:**
alternate.assessment@ride.ri.gov
- **Assessment Resources:** www.ride.ri.gov/TC
 - Manuals and Training: www.ride.ri.gov/assessment-manuals
 - Accommodations: www.ride.ri.gov/accommodations
- **Assessment Data Portal:**
 - Public Site: <https://www3.ride.ri.gov/ADP>
 - Confidential Site: <https://portal.ride.ri.gov/Account/Login>

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