

CULTIVATING STUDENTS' POTENTIAL

with Data Advancements

NSCAS Roster
Review

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NSCAS and ELPA Assessments

- **NSCAS Growth & General Science**

- NWEA/MAP Growth
- Fall, Winter, and Spring Administrations
- General Science in the Spring only

- **NSCAS Alternate Assessment**

- DRC/INSIGHT
- Intended for Students with the Most Significant Cognitive Disabilities (Typically About 1% or less of the population)
- Spring Administration only

- **NSCAS ACT Assessment**

- ACT/PearsonAccess next (PA Next or PAN)
- Spring Administration only

- **ELPA21 and Alternate ELPA**

- Cambium Assessment
- Spring Administration (Feb-Mar)





ADVISER English Language Testing

ADVISER VALIDATION HOME

ERRORS
Review Errors
Reprocess Errors
Error Summary

VERIFICATION REPORT: Students

LOOKUPS

Current District: Nebraska Department Of Education [00-0000] Nebraska Department Of Education 00-0000 Select

School Year: 2023-2024 2023-2024 Select

STUDENT VERIFICATION REPORTS

General and Miscellaneous

Assessment

English Learners		
REPORT	DESCRIPTION	REVIEW
Dominant Language	Summary of dominant language reported, with detailed student lists available.	Fall & Year-End
English Language Testing	Report of students who will be included in English language testing (ELPA21) preprinted labels extract.	Prior to Extract Date (December/January)
English Learner Status Report	Report lists all students reported with an English Learners Program and lists them as Eligible, Participating, and/or Redesignated. This report does not work in the 2018-2019 Year.	Fall, Year-End
English Learner Cohort Lookup by Student Id	Look up English Learner Cohort	Any Time
ELPA Assessment Download	This report provides a way to download ELPA Statewide Assessment results into an Excel or CSV file for further analysis. Users must have both the Food Program and Special Education access codes entered in the NDE Portal to access this report.	As Needed



ADVISER Roster Reports

❖ You may need to obtain the SPED & FRL codes from your district admin

ADVISER VALIDATION HOME

Current District:

School Year:

STUDENT VERIFICATION REPORTS

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Assessment

REPORT	DESCRIPTION	Notes	VIEW
MCA3 All Subjects Roster	Report of students who will be included in MCAS ACT and MCAS Alternate Statewide Assessment or extracts. Once this data is submitted to assessment windows the data is locked, any roster changes after this time must be done with the vendor directly. Users must have the Special Education and Food Program access codes entered in the HEE Portal to access this report.	FRL SPED	Write
Download ACT Statewide Assessment Results	This report provides a way to download MCAS ACT statewide assessment results into an Excel or CSV file for further analysis. Users must have both the Food Program and Special Education access codes entered in the HEE Portal to access this report.	FRL SPED	As Needed
Download MCAS Assessment Results	This report provides a way to download MCAS statewide assessment results into an Excel or CSV file for further analysis. Users must have both the Food Program and Special Education access codes entered in the HEE Portal to access this report.	FRL SPED	As Needed
Student Roster Lookup	This report shows student level demographics for a student that may take or feel takes MCAS statewide assessments and are in grades 05-12. Please note that the SPED fields in this report are based on the status as of the assessment testing window.	FRL SPED	As Needed
MCAS ACT Preliminary Results Review	Review preliminary MCAS ACT results. This data will not be updated with the final results available in the ACT Statewide Assessment Results report.	FRL SPED	As Needed
MCA3 Growth Roster	Report of 3rd-5th grade students who will be included in MCAS Growth Statewide Assessment roster extracts that HEE sends to WMEA during testing windows. Final testing data (such as test language) is available to be changed by districts in WMEA's website. Users must have the Special Education and Food Program access codes entered in the HEE Portal to access this report.	FRL SPED	As Needed



ADVISER Roster Reports

DATA ELEMENTS

REPORTING_SCHOOL	BIRTHDATE
ENROLLED_SCHOOL	STUDENT_GENDER
GRADE	ETHNIC_CODE
ASSESSMENT	SPED
STUDENT_NAME	PRIMARY_DISABILITY
STUDENT_ID	EL
	LOCK_DATE



NSCAS Growth Roster

- **ADVISER Data Requirements**
 - Grade level 3 – 8
 - Full-time Equivalency (FTE) is 51% or higher
 - Alternate Assessment field coded “NO” in the SPED record
 - School of Record and School of Attendance



NSCAS Alternate Assessment

- **ADVISER Data Requirements**

- Grade level 3 – 8 or 3rd-Year High School Cohort (2025)
- Full-time Equivalency (FTE) is 51% or higher
- Alternate Assessment field coded “YES” in the SPED record
- School of Record and School of Attendance



NSCAS ACT Assessment

- **ADVISER Data Requirements**

- 3rd-Year High School Cohort (2025)
 - NOT grade level
- Full-time Equivalency (FTE) is 51% or higher
- Alternate Assessment field coded “NO” in the SPED record



ADVISER Roster Reports

2023-2024 NSCAS Roster Review Process

Roster Review Deadline is 1/8/2024



After the Jan 8th review deadline

Districts are responsible for

1. Publishing student data updates to ADVISER Validation regularly, more often closer to the spring administration

2. Add/Update student data in the appropriate vendor test system when student management opens
 - a. Create records for new students
 - b. Add a Not Tested Code to students who have left your district
(with the expectation of NSCAS Growth students that are transferred within Acacia Manage)

3. During the test window for the NSCAS Growth, I will be running verifications on the NTC codes



ADVISER Rosters Reports

Exempt (Home)School Students

Review the Exempt Schools – School District Report within the Data Collections area of the NDE portal for submission status of the exempt (home) school students. A “submitted” or “pending” status on the report can be coded in ADVISER with a 205 enrollment code in their SIS/SRS/ADVISER.

External Program Students

Districts should be in direct contact with the Rule 18/ESU/Contracted Agencies to ensure your students attending these programs participate in NSCAS testing.

In the January roster file, ensure these students are listed under their Reporting School.

NSCAS Test Windows

2023 - 2024 NSCAS Testing Windows (updated 07/21/2023)

TEST	Student/Test Agent Opens	TEST DATES	New/Exiting Student Color®
NSCAS Growth - Fall (Optional for Students)	August 7, 2023	August 21, 2023 - September 25, 2023	NA
NSCAS Growth - Winter (Optional for Students)	November 23, 2023	December 4, 2023 - January 26, 2024 (no testing Dec 29 - Jan 6)	NA
E/PAZI Alternate ELPA	January 19, 2024	February 5, 2024 - March 15, 2024	Case by Case*
NSCAS Growth General Science NSCAS Alternate	March 11, 2024	April 1, 2024 - May 10, 2024	April 26, 2024
NSCAS ACT initial testing	January 15, 2024	Test Window 1 Paper/Pencil March 26, 2024 Online March 26 - 29, 2024; and April 1 - 5, 2024	April 12, 2024
NSCAS ACT initial testing or Makeup testing	January 15, 2024	Test Window 2 Paper/Pencil April 9, 2024 Online April 9 - 12, 2024 and April 15 - 19, 2024	April 12, 2024
NSCAS ACT Makeup testing	January 15, 2024	Test Window 3 Paper/Pencil April 23, 2024 Online April 23 - 26, 2024 and April 29 - 30, 2024 May 1 - 3, 2024	April 12, 2024
NSCAS ACT with Accommodations initial testing	January 15, 2024	Test Window 1 Paper/Pencil March 26 - 29, 2024 and April 1 - 5, 2024 Online March 26 - 29, 2024; and April 1 - 5, 2024	April 12, 2024
NSCAS ACT with Accommodations initial testing or Makeup testing	January 15, 2024	Test Window 2 Paper/Pencil April 9 - 12, 2024 and April 15 - 19, 2024 Online April 9 - 12, 2024 and April 15 - 19, 2024	April 12, 2024
NSCAS ACT with Accommodations Makeup testing	January 15, 2024	Test Window 3 Paper/Pencil April 23 - 26, 2024 and April 29 - 30, 2024 and May 1 - 3, 2024 (P/P) Online April 23 - 26, 2024 and April 29 - 30, 2024 and May 1 - 3, 2024	April 12, 2024

* Please reach out to the NDE's Title IV/ELPA Office staff to help determine if a new or exiting student should participate in testing.

[2023-2024 NSCAS Testing Windows](#)

NSCAS Key Dates

KEY DATES	START	END
NWEA: NSCAS Growth Winter Test Window	12/4/2023	1/26/2024
All Spring Admin NSCAS & ELPA roster reviews in ADVISER Validation	11/8/2023	1/8/2024
NSCAS ACT: Open Enrollment Review in PA Next (to have bar codes)	1/15/2024	2/9/2024
NSCAS ACT: Late Enrollment Review (no bar codes)	2/12/2024	4/12/2024
NSCAS Alternate: student/test admin opens in INSIGHT	TBD	5/10/2024
NSCAS Growth: spring student/test admin opens in Acacia	3/11/2024	5/10/2024
NSCAS ACT: Test Administration Training - Paper Testing (Session 1)	10 am CT	12/5/2023
NSCAS ACT: Test Administration Training - Online Testing (Session 2)	10 am CT	2/6/2024
NSCAS Growth: Test Administration Q&A	10:30 - 11:30 am CT	3/7/2023
NSCAS Alternate Test Administration Workshop #1	TBD	TBD
NSCAS Alternate Test Administration Workshop #2 (repeat of workshop #1)	TBD	TBD

ELPA21 Key Dates

Date	Event
October 26, 2023—October 27, 2023*	TIDE Offline for Updates
October 30, 2023	Initial Order Window for ELPA21 Summative Paper, Large Print, and Braille Tests (via Help Desk) Opens
November 16, 2023	Initial Order Window for ELPA21 Summative Paper, Large Print, and Braille Tests (via Help Desk) Closes
November 30, 2023	Updated ELPA21 Summative Training Modules Available
January 2, 2024	Kindergarten ELPA21 Screener Window Opens
January 8, 2024	ELPA21 K-12 Roster Due Date
January 22, 2024	ELPA21 Accommodated Materials Arrive in Districts
January 16, 2024	Additional Order Window for ELPA21 Summative Paper, Large Print, and Braille Tests (via Help Desk) Opens
February 5, 2024	ELPA21 Summative Test Window Opens
February 5, 2024	Entering Alt ELPA & ELPA21 Non-Participation Codes in TIDE Window Opens
February 5, 2024	Alt ELPA Test Window Opens
March 8, 2024	Additional Order Window for ELPA21 Summative Paper, Large Print, and Braille Tests (via Help Desk) Closes
March 15, 2024	ELPA21 Summative Test Window Closes
March 15, 2024	Last Day to Ship ELPA21 Summative Paper Test Materials Back to Measurement Inc.
March 15, 2024	Alt ELPA Test Window Closes
March 29, 2024	Deadline to Enter Alt ELPA & ELPA21 Non-Participation Codes in TIDE
May 6, 2024	ELPA21 Summative Scores Released
TBD	Alt ELPA Scores Released
July 12, 2024	2023-24 ELPA21 Screener Window Closes (includes Future Kindergarten and Kindergarten Screener)

NSCAS Resources

NDE Statewide Assessment Website

<https://www.education.ne.gov/assessment/>

NWEA-NE Assessment Portal

[Assessment Portal](#)

Scroll to bottom of page for additional resources

[NSCAS Growth Resources to Date](#)

DRC

[INSIGHT](#)

access All resources are within their test system, you must have a login/password for

ACT

[ACT state testing webpage](#)

ELPA21

[ELPA21 Resources](#)

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