

Important Statewide Testing Information - Updates March 16, 2020

Assessment Arizona Department

District Test Coordinators,

With the Governor and Arizona Superintendent of Public Instruction's announcement that all Arizona schools will close through March 27, the Arizona Department of Education's Assessment Section is working closely with our testing vendors on the schedule for extending and/or delaying Spring 2020 assessments.

As far as a testing waiver, ADE will be working with the U.S. Department of Education to submit any waiver that is allowable. At this time, no waiver has been submitted or approved.

If you have received testing materials for any state assessments, including ACT, AIMS Science, AZELLA, AzM2, and/or MSAA, please keep them in secure storage at this time pending additional information. Do not send them back to the vendors. If this changes, we will let you know. We will also inform you of changes to ordering materials for any assessments once we receive this information.

For AZELLA: Please wait to send back any AZELLA Spring 2020 test materials. Leave any unfinished or unsubmitted tests as is. If you have sent your test materials back to Pearson, the warehouse is open and they will accept and hold these materials.

For AzM2: We are working with our vendor regarding the delivery of test materials, which is scheduled for March 16-17. FedEx will attempt delivery three times and then return the materials to the vendor. Our vendor is aware of this and will work with ADE to reschedule delivery of materials once schools reopen.

For ACT: We are working with our vendor regarding options for the state Menu of Assessments test date.

We will communicate information regarding state testing via District Test Coordinators as it becomes available.