Assessment News Alert

This message was sent to assessment coordinators in public school districts and several approved programs and non-public school systems.

Math, ELA, Science, and Alternate Assessment Updates

- **Reporting System Update**. Results will start showing in the [Cambium Reporting System](#) starting **April 8**. The recording from this week's training over the Reporting System will be posted to the [Assessment Gateway](#) hopefully by the end of the week. Here are some resources to help you as you review your students' results:
  - [Reporting Quick Guide](#)
  - [Reporting User Guide](#)
  - [Reporting Training Recording](#) (being updated for 23-24 school year)
  - [Reporting Training PPT](#) (being updated for 23-24 school year)
  - [Reporting FAQ](#)

- **Text to Speech**. If Text to Speech is enabled for a student, it will not start automatically for the student. Students must click on the options button and turn it on for each question. Please make sure your students are able to practice this functionality with the Practice Tests or Interim Tests before they take the summative assessments.

- **Submitting Accommodations** - Please remember to check (or have the test administrators check) to ensure supports and accommodations are in place before the student takes the assessment. Questions? Email [Beth Schiltz](#). Districts must use the TIDE forms to submit them. For non-embedded, email doeassessment@state.sd.us

- **TIDE Forms**. There are several different forms in TIDE for districts. TIDE forms are available to request a variety of testing accommodations for a student with a documented need, to report a testing irregularity, or to request approval for a medical exemption for a student. These forms are submitted in TIDE and reviewed and approved by SD DOE.

- **Submitting Appeals**. District-level users and school coordinators use TIDE to manage appeal requests for students participating in the online South Dakota Assessments. For more information and directions, check out the [Appeals Quick Guide](#). Appeals include:
  - Invalidate a test: eliminates the test opportunity
  - Reset a test: allows students to restart (most often used if students begin a test without a support or accommodation in place)
  - Re-open a test: usually used when a performance task expires after 10 days
  - Grace period extension: allows students to review previously-answered questions
  - Re-open test segment: reopen a previous test segment if a student accidentally leaves a test segment incomplete
  - Restore a test that was reset: reverses a reset, restoring student responses on the test when the reset was processed

- **Assessment Office Half Hours**. The Office of Assessment & Accountability will provide virtual Office Half Hours every Monday at 10:30 a.m. CT (9:30 a.m. MT) throughout the assessment window. Zoom info is:
  - Mondays at 10:30 a.m. CT (9:30 a.m. MT)
  - https://state-sd.zoom.us/j/99784177187
  - Meeting ID: 997 8417 7187