

Smarter Balanced Updates September 2016

LOG-IN INFORMATION AND PASSWORDS

- All 2015-2016 SBAC passwords will be cleared by AIR between September 28 and September 29, 2016.
- Users will receive an email from AIR with instructions for setting a password for 2016-2017.

REGIONAL TRAININGS

- The SBAC regional training dates and locations are as follows:
 - October 25, 2016 – Seacoast Professional Development Center, Exeter, NH (9:00 am to 12:00 pm)
 - October 26, 2016 – Common Man Inn, Plymouth, NH (9:00 am to 12:00 pm)
 - October 27, 2016 – Keene High School, Keene, NH (9:00 am to 12:00 pm)
 - October 28, 2016 – SERESC, Bedford, NH (8:30 am to 11:30 am)
- A registration site will be posted and available before September 25, 2016.

REFRESHED PRACTICE TESTS

- Refreshed Practice Test Questions/Scoring Rubrics – September 15, 2016

TIDE PORTAL

- Redesigned TIDE Portal (functionality the same) – October 6, 2016
- Training for Redesigned Portal – September 29, 2016
- Training notification from AIR - September 13, 2016
- **TIDE DOWNTIME – September 24, 2016 – October 5, 2016**

INTERIM TESTING WINDOW

- The Smarter Balanced Math/ELA Interim Assessments – October 18, 2017 – June 9, 2017
- Teacher Hand-Scoring System – October 18, 2017
- **TEST DELIVERY SYSTEM (TDS)/TEACHER HAND-SCORING DOWNTIME – October 10, 2016 – October 17, 2016**

SUMMATIVE TESTING WINDOW

- The Smarter Balanced Math/ELA Summative – March 14, 2017 – June 9, 2017
*Please schedule your grade levels during the window to best meet your needs.
- **TEST DELIVERY SYSTEM (TDS) DOWNTIME – March 9, 2017 – March 10, 2017**

ONLINE REPORTING

- 2016-2017 Student Reports will again be available through ORS in May
- **ORS DOWNTIME – October 6, 2016 – October 7, 2016**

COMMUNICATION/RESOURCES

- Coming Soon! Smarter Balanced Survey for Educational Community Members
- Department of Education Link to Smarter Balanced Assessment/TIDE Portal