Administering WIDA Screener & WIDA Screener for Kindergarten

ELPA Webinar Series 2023-2024

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Learning Objectives

- Participants will be able to:
  - explain the training requirements to administer WIDA Screener(s)
  - describe the security requirements to administer WIDA Screener(s)
  - describe the role of the various portals as they pertain to administering and reporting WIDA Screener(s) scores
  - identify necessary WIDA Screener test materials for each grade-level cluster and screener form
  - identify key WIDA Screener administration steps necessary to have a successful screener administration

WIDA Screener
Training and Certification

- **Yearly training and certification is required prior to all WIDA Screener and WIDA Screener for Kindergarten administrations**
  - Training and certification is completed in the [WIDA Secure Portal](#)
  - Training and certification is only required for the specific WIDA Screener the Test Administrator is responsible for proctoring
  - Certification quizzes must be completed with a score of 80% or higher to attain certification
  - A record of all TA certifications should be printed and kept on-site

Certificate of Completion

This certifies that

Andrew Bennett

has completed the requirements for

WIDA Screener for Kindergarten: Administration and Scoring

on 8/30/2023

WIDA Screener Training & Certification Courses and Certification Quizzes

WIDA Screener	Training Course Name	Certification Quiz Name
WIDA Screener for Kindergarten	• WIDA Screener for Kindergarten: Administration and Scoring	• WIDA Screener for Kindergarten: Oral Language Certification Quiz • WIDA Screener for Kindergarten: Literacy Certification Quiz
WIDA Screener Online **WIDA Screener Paper***	• WIDA Screener Online: Administration • WIDA Screener Paper: Administration • Speaking for Grades 1-5: Scoring ACCESS Paper and WIDA Screener • Speaking for Grades 6-12: Scoring ACCESS Paper and WIDA Screener • Writing for Grades 1-5: Scoring WIDA Screener • Writing for Grades 6-12: Scoring WIDA Screener	• WIDA Screener Online: Administration Certification Quiz • WIDA Screener Paper: Administration Certification Quiz • Speaking for Grades 1-5: Scoring ACCESS Paper and WIDA Screener Certification Quiz • Speaking for Grades 6-12: Scoring ACCESS Paper and WIDA Screener Certification Quiz • Writing for Grades 1-5: Scoring WIDA Screener Certification Quiz • Writing for Grades 6-12: Scoring WIDA Screener Certification Quiz

Certification is valid from July 1 to June 30

WIDA Screener
Test Security

Test Security, Validity & Reliability

- IDAPA Rule 08.03.02.111.11
  - Test security is of the utmost importance. To ensure integrity of secure test items and protect validity and reliability of test outcomes, test security must be maintained.
  - School districts will employ security measures in protecting statewide assessment materials from compromise.
  - Each individual who has any opportunity to see test items must sign a state-provided confidentiality agreement, which the district must keep on file in the district for at least two (2) years.

Test Security and Integrity
Maintaining Test Security

- Screener materials including electronic and printed materials are considered secure
  - Store materials in a secure area
    - Materials accessed via the WIDA Secure Portal are considered secure
  - Inventory the materials before and after a screener session
  - Only use screener(s) materials to identify a student for services
  - Do not share test items with others
  - Report any test incidents within 24 hours
    - Idaho SDE Test Incident Log
  - Securely store or destroy student response booklets after use

WIDA Secure Portal
WIDA Assessment Management System
English Learner Management System

What is the role of each management system/portal?

WIDA Secure Portal / WIDA AMS / ELMS Overview

- **WIDA Secure Portal**
  - Train & certify to administer WIDA Screener / WIDA Screener for KG
  - Download paper-based testing materials
  - View/Download Screener Manuals and resources

- **WIDA Assessment Management System**
  - Setup WIDA Screener Online test registrations
  - Score student speaking and writing speaking responses
  - Download student score reports

- **English Learner Management System**
  - Identify a student's EL Status
  - Record WIDA Screener scores

Available WIDA Screeners & Test Form Selection

Available WIDA Screeners

- **WIDA Screener for Kindergarten** (KG – first semester grade 1)
  - *First semester KG - Listening and Speaking domains only*
  - *Second semester KG and first semester grade one - complete all domains*

- **WIDA Screener Online** (second semester grades 1 – 12)
  - *Second semester grade one - complete all domains*

- **WIDA Screener Paper** (second semester grades 1 – 12)*
  - **WIDA Screener Paper may be used as an administrative consideration*

Test Form Selection

- Students in the first semester of their first year in a new grade-level cluster (K, 1, 2-3, 4-5, 6-8, 9-12), are administered the lower grade cluster screener form

- **Selection of appropriate test form table (Grades 1 – 12)**

Grade		1		2		3		4		5		6		7		8		9		10		11		12	
Semester		1	2	1	2	1	2	1	2	1	2	1	2	1	2	1	2	1	2	1	2	1	2
Grade-Cluster Form	K		Grade 1 Test		Grades 2-3 Test				Grades 4-5 Test				Grades 6-8 Test						Grades 9-12 Test					

- *Example: A potential EL student entering grade 4 during their first semester would complete WIDA Screener Online Grade 2-3 test screener form*

WIDA Screener & WIDA Screener for Kindergarten Test Materials

WIDA Screener Assessment Accessibility & Accommodations

- **Universal Tools**
  - Available to all students

- **Administrative Considerations**
  - Team decision - available to all students

- **Accommodations**
  - Students with IEP or 504 plans
  - Changes to presentation, student response, timing of the test, or test environment

- **Accessibility and Accommodations Manual**
  - WIDA Secure Portal
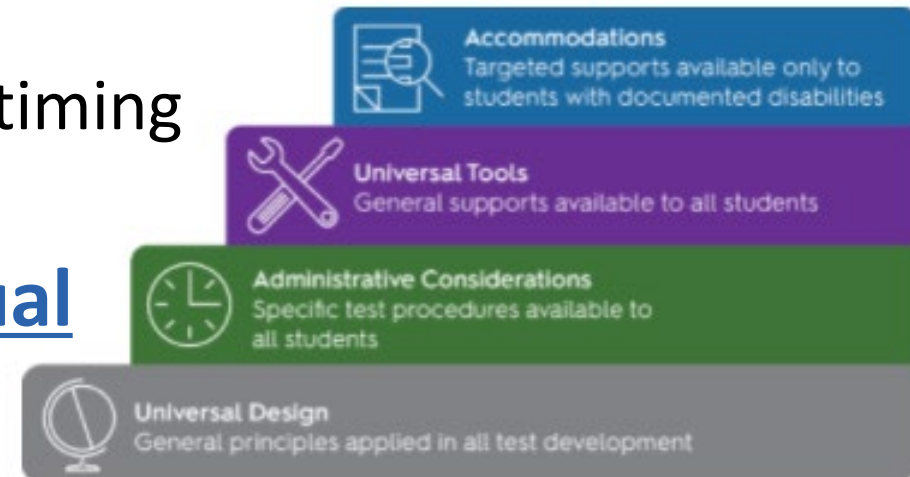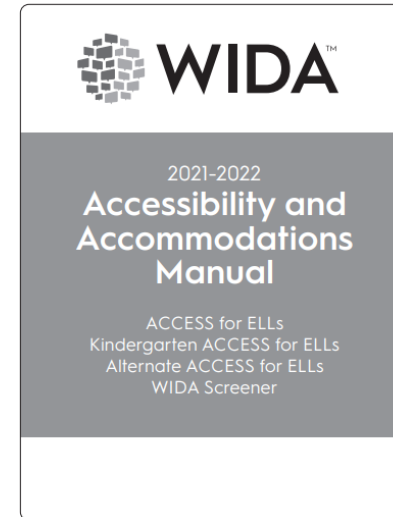
WIDA Screener for Kindergarten Test Materials

- All WIDA Screener for Kindergarten test materials may be downloaded from the WIDA Secure Portal > Resource Section

- **WIDA Screener for Kindergarten Test Materials**
  - WIDA Screener for Kindergarten Cards
  - WIDA Screener for Kindergarten Response Booklet
  - WIDA Screener for Kindergarten Score Sheets
  - WIDA Screener for Kindergarten Storybook
  - WIDA Screener for Kindergarten Test Administrator Script
  - WIDA Screener for Kindergarten Test Administrator Manual
  - WIDA Screener for KG Scoring Calculator

- **Supplemental WIDA Screener for Kindergarten Tools**
  - WIDA Screener for KG Guidance for Administration During KG Registration
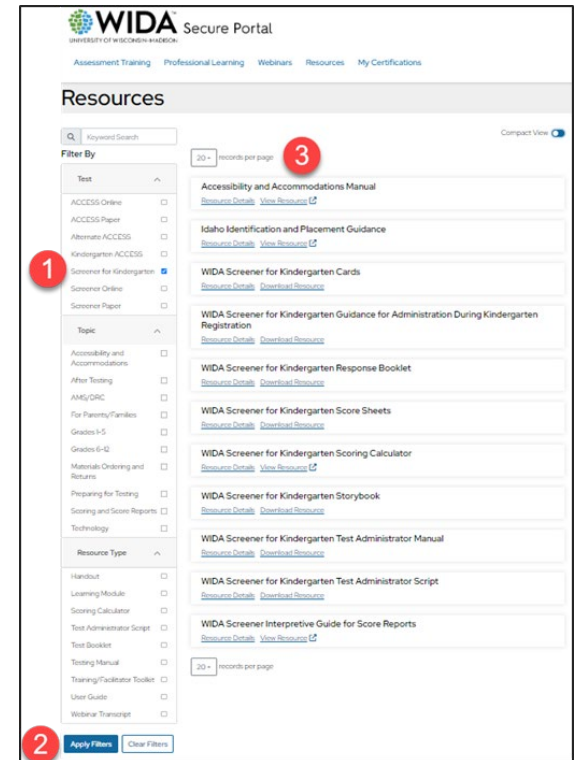
WIDA Screener Online Test Materials

- Potential ELs in grades 4-12 taking WIDA Screener Online complete all domains online

- Potential ELs in grades 1-3 take Listening, Reading, and Speaking online. The Writing section is completed on Paper

- All WIDA Screener for Online paper test materials may be downloaded from the WIDA Secure Portal > Resource Section
  - **WIDA Screener Online – Downloadable Materials**
    - WIDA Screener Online – Grades 1-12 Test Administrator's Script
    - WIDA Screener Online – Grades 1 & 2-3 Writing Test Administration Script
    - WIDA Screener Online – Writing Response Booklet – Grade 1, 2-3 (Tier A & Tier B/C)

    - **ELPA: Navigating WIDA Screener & ACCESS for ELLs Appendix 3**

WIDA Screener Paper Test Materials

- WIDA Screener Paper can be administered to all students as an administrative consideration
- <mark>Most</mark> WIDA Screener Paper test materials may be downloaded from the WIDA Secure Portal > Resource Section
  - **WIDA Screener Paper – Downloadable Materials**
    - [WIDA Screener Paper Test Administration Manual](#)
    - WIDA Screener Paper - Test Administrator's Script (Grade 1, 2-3, 4-5, 6-8, 9-12)
    - WIDA Screener Paper - Student Response Booklet (Grade 1, 2-3, 4-5, 6-8, 9-12)
    - [WIDA Screener Paper Scoring Calculator](#)
- **The listening and speaking audio files must be requested by contacting the Idaho SDE ELPA Coordinator, or by purchasing them directly via the WIDA Store**

WIDA Screener Setup & Administration

WIDA Screener for Kindergarten

WIDA Screener Online

WIDA Screener Setup & Administration Reminders

- When possible have a familiar adult screen the student
- Testing environment should be welcoming and free from distractions
  - Place a "Testing in Progress" sign on the door
- Practice tests, test demos, and sample items are available to prepare students prior to screening
- Test Administrator should be comfortable with administering the different components
  - WIDA Screener for KG – practicing with a colleague is advisable

WIDA Screener for Kindergarten Administration

- Administration sequence
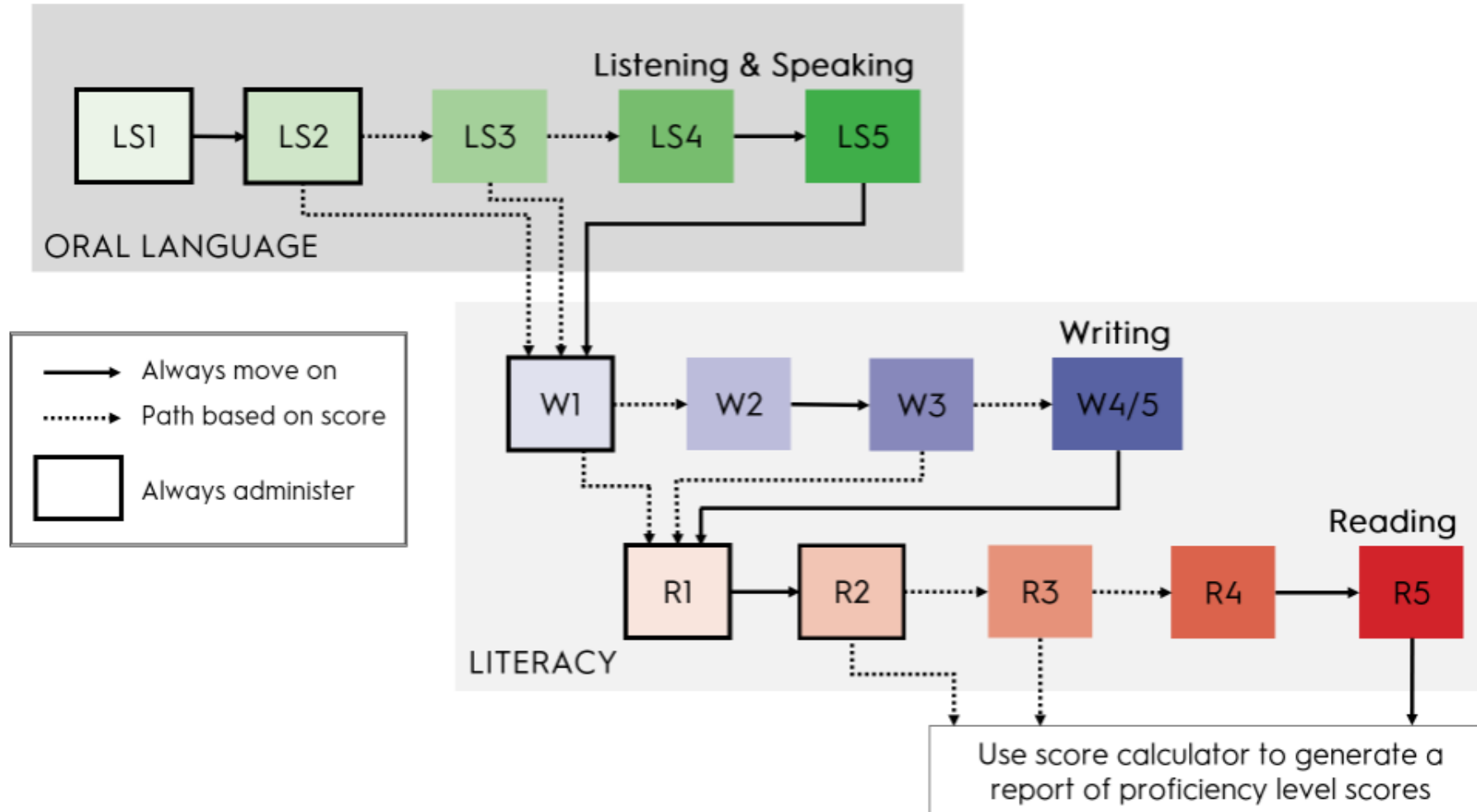
WIDA Screener for Kindergarten Administration

- Test Administrator Script guides the sequencing of each section
  - Read the **bolded** text and possible additional prompts when necessary
  - Task increase in difficulty targeting the WIDA English language proficiency levels 1-5
- Test Administrator scores each test item or task immediately after the student gives a response
- Test Administrator inputs the student's scores into the WIDA Screener for Kindergarten Score Calculator

WIDA Screener for Kindergarten Administration

- Administrator Script
  - **EXPECT** - details most critical to scoring each Speaking and Writing task

WIDA Kindergarten Writing Rubric

WIDA Kindergarten Speaking Rubric

- Scoring Sheet
  - **MOVE ON** & **STOP IF** – indicate when to continue giving the student more challenging prompts within a section of the screener and when to go on
  - Follow these rules carefully

WIDA Screener for Kindergarten Administration Dos/Don'ts & Best Practices

- Dos
  - Prepare materials before the test administration
  - Know your test materials well and practice with the script and test materials prior to testing
- Don'ts
  - Never repeat the listening prompts
  - Sound out words in the Reading section
  - Use Screener test items outside the testing environment
- Best Practices
  - Avoid testing during recess, lunch, or snack times.
  - Offer a bathroom break before testing, and reassure students that they'll be back in their classrooms in time for critical activities.
  - Offer stretch breaks as needed to help students refocus.
  - Use the scripted questions and phrasing to present the test tasks
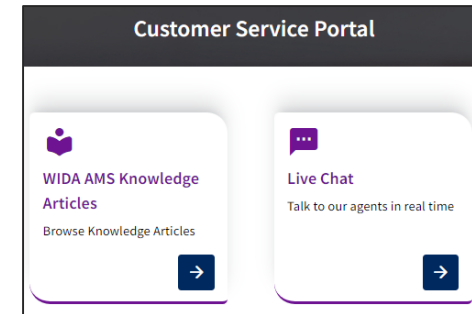
WIDA Screener Online Setup

- The district's Central Office Services (network configuration) must be updated and operational

- Test registrations are prepared and setup in WIDA Assessment Management System (WIDA AMS)
  - [Using WIDA AMS for WIDA Screener Online – Video Tutorial](#)

- Student test tickets must be printed prior to testing

- Prepare/Print student Writing response booklet (grades 1-3)

- Prepare headsets/headphone for use during screener
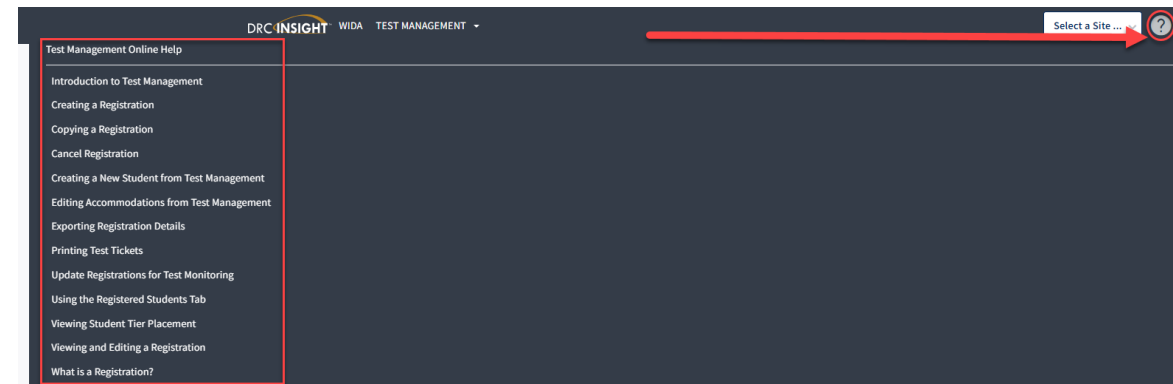
WIDA Assessment Management System Get Help Function(s)

- DRC Customer Service (855) 787-9615
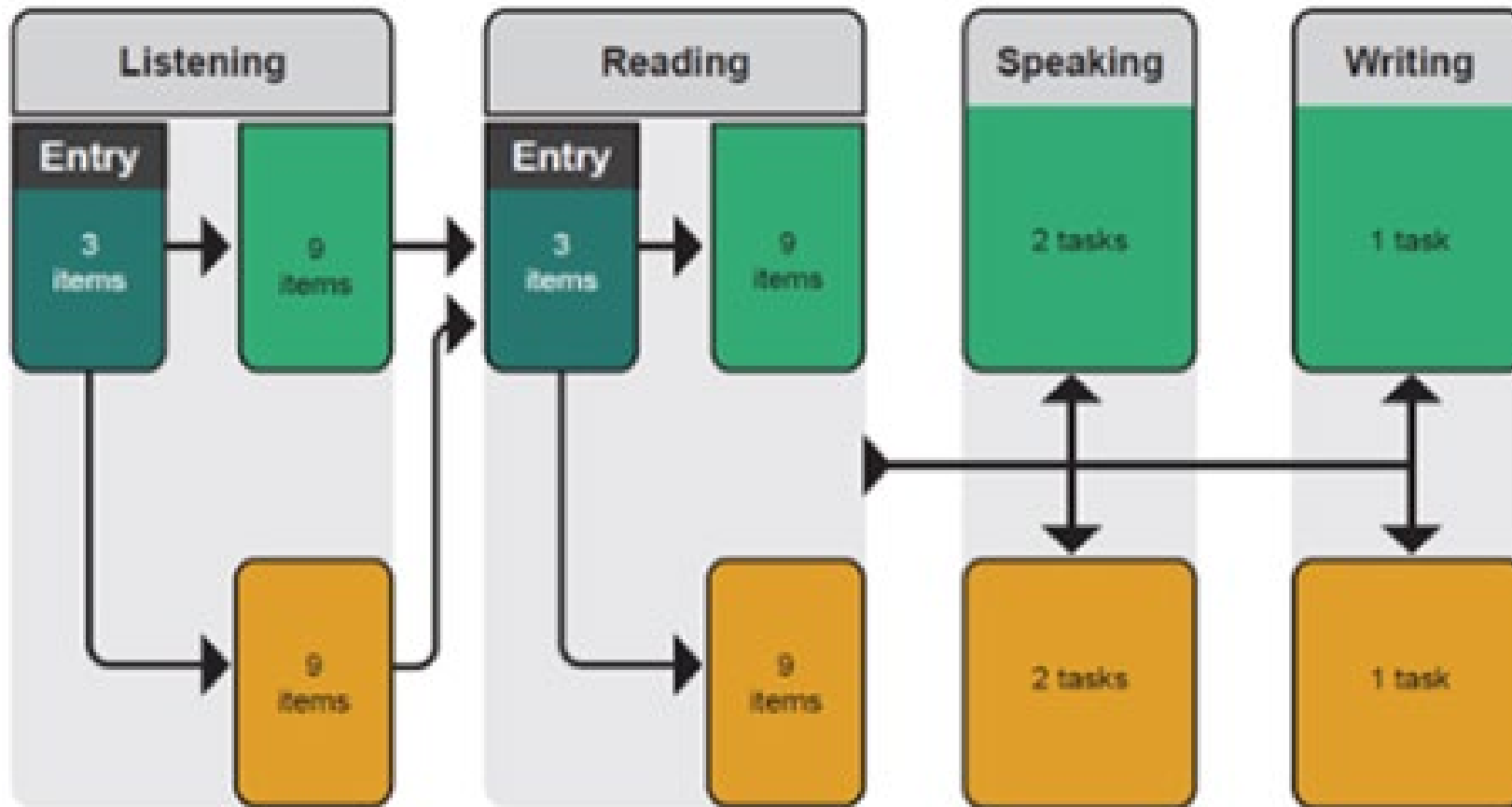 - WIDA AMS Knowledge Articles
  - Live Chat

- "?" Symbol – Online Help (How-to Information)
  - Student Management
  - Import Management
  - Test Management
  - Test Monitoring

WIDA Screener Online Administration

WIDA Screener Online

WIDA Screener for Kindergarten Administration

- Test administrator (TA) Reads [WIDA Screener Online – Grades 1-12 Test Administrator's Script](#)

- Students login to DRC INSIGHT Secure Browser on testing device

- TA monitors student progress
  - Ensure each student completes and exits each domain

- Grades 1-3 Writing Domain
  - TA reviews Writing tier placement presented on the student's screen after the Listening and Reading domains have been completed T
  - TA reads WIDA Screener Online – Grades 1 & 2-3 Writing Test Administration Script

WIDA Screener & WIDA Screener for Kindergarten Reminders

WIDA Screener / WIDA Screener for KG Scoring

- **Score WIDA Screener for Kindergarten / WIDA Screener**
  - **WIDA Screener for Kindergarten**
    - Hand-scored by Test Administrator during test
    - Raw Scores input into WIDA Screener for KG Score Calculator
  - **WIDA Screener Online**
    - Listening and Reading domains scored by DRC INSIGHT (WIDA AMS)
    - Speaking and Writing scored in WIDA AMS
    - Score Report downloaded from WIDA AMS
  - **WIDA Screener Paper**
    - Hand-scored by Test Administrator
      - Refer to Appendix C in the WIDA Screener Paper TAM for Answer Key
    - Raw Scores input into WIDA Screener Paper Score Calculator

- **WIDA Screener for Kindergarten** (KG – first semester grade 1)

First Semester Kindergarten	Second Semester Kindergarten	First Semester Grade 1
• ≥ 5.0 Oral Language Proficiency Level • ≥ 4.0 Listening Proficiency Level • ≥ 4.0 Speaking Proficiency Level	• ≥ 5.0 Oral Language Proficiency Level • ≥ 4.0 Listening Proficiency Level • ≥ 4.0 Speaking Proficiency Level • ≥ 2.0 Literacy Score	• ≥ 5.0 Oral Language Proficiency Level • ≥ 4.0 Listening Proficiency Level • ≥ 4.0 Speaking Proficiency Level • ≥ 4.0 Literacy Score

- **WIDA Screener Online & Paper** (second semester grade 1 – 12)

Second Semester Grade 1 – 12 WIDA Screener Online & Paper
• ≥ 5.0 Overall Language Proficiency Level • ≥ 4.0 Listening Proficiency Level • ≥ 4.0 Speaking Proficiency Level • ≥ 4.0 Reading Proficiency Level • ≥ 4.0 Writing Proficiency Level

*ELMS automatically assigns an EL Status based on the WIDA Screener scores entered

Screener Scoring
Inter-Rater Reliability

- To increase inter-rater reliability of scores, it is recommended that only a few district personnel score WIDA Screener Online / Paper student Speaking / Writing responses

- Test administrators giving WIDA Screener for Kindergarten are encouraged to practice reading the administrator scripts and using the print material with a colleague prior to administering the screener

Reporting WIDA Screener Scores
English Learner Management System

- Enter WIDA Screener scores into ELMS
  - Select the appropriate "Test Type"
    - WIDA Screener Online – "WIDA Online"
    - WIDA Screener for KG – "WIDA KG"
    - WIDA Screener Paper – " WIDA Paper"
  - HLS is required to be uploaded into ELMS at the time the screener scores are entered
  - Ensure to save and submit the information
- Place a copy of the WIDA Screener scores into the child's cumulative file

Upcoming Events & Last Words

- **Engaging Multilingual Learners Through an Asset-Based Lens**
  - Enrollment September 1, 2023 –April 5, 2024
    - Participants must complete the following workshops:
      - **The WIDA ELD Standards Framework: A Collaborative Approach**
      - **Making Language Visible in the Classroom**
    - Participants then choose **two** courses to complete from the list below:
      - **Developing Language for Learning in Mathematics**
      - **Engaging Multilingual Learners in Science: Making Sense of Phenomena**
      - **Social Studies: Engaging Multilingual Learners through Inquiry**
      - Combination of both: **Reframing Education for Long-term English Learners & Newcomers: Promoting Success through Strengthening Practice**
  - Cost: $60
  - Register online at pdlearn.nnu.edu

Next ELPA Monthly Meeting

New WIDA District Test Coordinator Training

September 5, 2023 – 12:00PM – 1:00PM MT

https://idahosde.zoom.us/meeting/register/tJYufuytpjIrHN28a2_rzO9sF3OS11g6Cneb#/registration

New WIDA District Test Coordinator Training

Tue Sep 5th 12:00pm - 1:00pm (MDT)

The webinar is intended for newly/recently appointed WIDA district test coordinators to become familiar with the required actions necessary to for ensuring a successful ELPA cycle. The webinar will go ...

Open Discussion

Presentation Feedback

- https://forms.office.com/r/MzK1Zte8Tx

Open Discussion

Unmute yourself or write your questions/comments within the chat

Thank you!

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