

SEPTEMBER 2020 SPEDOMETER FOR LEA ACTION

Getting up to Speed with IDEA and
Accelerating Results for Students with Disabilities

ACT open date to request accommodations or reconsideration	September 14, 2020
USEAM	September 17, 2020
DLM Secondary Q&A Session	October 20, 2020
DLM Elementary Q&A Session	October 26, 2020
USEAM	November 19, 2020
ACT close date to request accommodations	January 15, 2021
ACT close date to request reconsideration	January 22, 2021
Data Literacy Trainings	February 22–26, 2021
USEAM	February 25, 2021
USEAM	April 29, 2021

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ASSESSMENT UPDATES

DLM

At the request of LEA administration across the state, State Superintendent Dickson has instructed USBE staff not to schedule any professional learning/training during contract time. Therefore, the DLM science and DLM administration synchronous trainings have been rescheduled to an asynchronous format.

We have created a [self-guided training](#) on Padlet for you and your teachers to access when it is most convenient for you. We have also scheduled two Q&A sessions in October via Zoom during after-school hours.

 **October 20, 2020**

- Secondary Q&A Session | 2:30 PM
- After registering, you will receive a confirmation email with information about joining the meeting

 **October 26, 2020**

- Elementary Q&A Session | 3:30 PM
- After registering, you will receive a confirmation email with information about joining the meeting

Special Education

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Leah Voorhies, Asst Superintendent of Student Support
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The Dynamic Learning Maps Science Resources Quick Guide is available in the SpEdOmeter [September 2020 OneDrive folder](#). Contact [Tanya Semerad](#) or [Tracy Gooley](#) with questions.

ACT

ACT has moved up the date to start requesting accommodations for students. The Test Accessibility and Accommodations (TAA) System is set to open September 14, 2020.

Open Date	Close Date	Responsible Role	Event
September 14, 2020	January 15, 2021	Test Coordinator, Test Accommodations Coordinator	Request accommodations and/or supports for eligible examinees through the TAA.
September 14, 2020	January 22, 2021	Test Coordinator, Test Accommodations Coordinator	Request reconsideration of accommodations and/or supports in TAA.

Please be aware ACT has a new TAA System for requesting accommodations:

- ✎ The TAA system has a [new web address](#).
- ✎ Existing TAA users must create an account at the new web address using the **same** email address associated with their TAA account for access to synchronize.
- ✎ New TAA users must create an account at the new web address and request TAA access through their school's Trusted Agent. See your LEA Assessment Director for more information.

Visit the Utah ACT website and scroll down to Step 3 "Verification" of the test administration process overview to find additional resources for requesting accommodations.

- ✎ [High-Incidence Accommodations, Local Arrangements, and Accessibility Supports for ACT](#)
- ✎ Updated [Test Accessibility and Accommodations System \(TAA\) User Guide](#)

Verification

Verify needs for accommodations and/or supports

Activity: Request Accommodations and/or English Learner (EL) Supports

Resources to complete this activity:

- [Information about requesting Accommodations and/or English Learner \(EL\) Supports](#)
- [Quick Start Guide for Requesting Accommodations and/or English Learner Supports \(pdf\)](#)
- [Test Accessibility and Accommodations \(TAA\) User Guide \(pdf\)](#)
- [Consent to Release Information \(pdf\)](#)
- [Requesting Reconsideration \(TAA User Guide\) \(pdf\)](#)
- [Instructions for Retesting with Accommodations \(pdf\)](#)
- [High-Incidence Accommodations, Local Arrangements, and Accessibility Supports \(pdf\)](#)
- [Late Consideration \(pdf\)](#)
- [ACT Accommodations Q&A Training \(webinar\)](#)
- [ACT Accommodations Q&A Slides \(pdf\)](#)

Utah Core Standards High School Benchmarks

Updated Remote Administration guidance has been developed. The Quick Guide² – Remote Administration of the Utah Core Standards High School Benchmarks is available in the SpEdOmeter [September 2020](#) OneDrive folder. For more information, contact your LEA Assessment Director.

1% Threshold Corrections Due

The 1% Threshold alternate assessment corrections from the 2019–2020 school year are due to the USBE by November 1, 2020. Upload the corrections to Document Storage in UPIPS and email [Tracy Gooley](#) to confirm the upload.

Also contact Tracy with questions regarding accommodations, statewide assessments, and the 1% Threshold.

UTAH SPECIAL EDUCATION ADMINISTRATORS' MEETING (USEAM)

Please save the dates for this year's USEAMs. Register for MIDAS course #42970.

Date	Location	Date	Location
September 17, 2020	Virtual	February 25, 2021	Virtual and Granite Education Center 2500 S State, Salt Lake City
November 19, 2020	Virtual	April 29, 2021	Virtual and in-person (TBD)

DATA LITERACY TRAININGS 2021

Next year's data literacy trainings have been scheduled for February 22–26, 2021. Information regarding locations and MIDAS registration will be included in a future SpEdOmeter.