MEMORANDUM NO. 2021-091

TO: School District Superintendents
    Assessment Coordinators
    Building Assessment Coordinators
    Principals
    WISE Coordinators
    Accountability Coordinators

FROM: Trent Carroll, Chief Operations Officer

DATE: July 26, 2021

SUBJECT: 2020-21 Student Level WY-TOPP and WY-ALT Assessment Review Window

TIME SENSITIVE:
NOTICE OF ASSESSMENT REVIEW WINDOWS

The Wyoming Department of Education (WDE) will confidentially release results from the 2021 grades 3 through 10 WY-TOPP and WY-ALT assessments to school districts on Monday, July 26, 2021. Districts will be given until Friday, August 6, 2021 to confidentially review the reports. District superintendents will be asked to verify online that they have received and reviewed the data at this link. When the confidential review window closes, assessment data will be aggregated and is scheduled for public release on Tuesday, August 24, 2021. Districts will be provided confidential, embargoed reports at least 24 hours prior to the public release.

Districts are asked to review its assessment results and correct any inaccuracies, such as WISER ID errors and tested students who are missing from the file. Accuracy of this data is essential, since it will be used to calculate school, district, and statewide aggregate assessment proficiency percentages, and federal accountability results. Demographics or program fields like free and reduced lunch cannot be changed, as this data was reviewed and approved after the spring and end of year WDE684.

Data will be provided through the WDE’s secure District Data Reports portal. To access the confidential student level assessment reports, go to the WDE website Data Page and under
the Data Reports header on the left side of the page, click on the District Data Reports link. The confidential portal will default to the Assessment Confidential page. Persons with the following WyEd roles will be able to access the reports: Superintendent, Principal, Assistant Principal, Assessment Coordinator, Special Ed Coordinator, Curriculum Coordinator, Accountability Coordinator, or Assessment Confidential.

If you do not have rights to access the report, or if you have forgotten your WyEd username, contact your district WyEd Administrator for assistance. If you are unsure who your district WyEd administrator is, click on Find WyEd Admin link in WyEdPRO under the support header. If you would like to reset your password, click on the Forgot Password underneath the Find WyEd Admin link.

Because of the delayed and additional ACT testing dates issued in response to the COVID pandemic, ACT data will be delivered to the WDE at a much later date. The review window is scheduled for October.

Important Assessment and Accountability Dates

July 26 to August 6 – WY-TOPP and WY-ALT Student Level Data Review Window.

August 12 – Student Level WY-TOPP, WY-ALT, ACCESS, and ACCESS Alt data files updated with approved corrections, to include accountability metrics.


August 24 – Public Release of Assessment Data.

There will be no public School Performance Report Release for the 2020-21 School Year.

October 11 to October 22 – 2020-21 ACT Student Level Data Review Window.

To Be Determined – ACT Public Release of 2020-21 ACT Data.

For questions regarding assessment data corrections or general assessment questions, contact Jessica Steinbrenner, Assessment Supervisor, at 307-777-8568 or jessica.steinbrenner@wyo.gov.

For help with WyEd login credentials, contact Susan Williams, Data Collection Supervisor, at 307-777-6252 or susan.williams@wyo.gov.