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FORMATIVE ASSESSMENTS AND ACCOMMODATIONS

Reading 3D, i-Ready, and ACCUPLACER Diagnostics

Formative assessments that are diagnostic in nature ask students to demonstrate their abilities without assistance or accommodation, in a manner that is not high-stakes. The goal of this undertaking is to determine students' true capabilities in a given content area.

Here are some guidelines to follow when implementing formative assessments with ESOL students or students with disabilities:

- When assessing literacy, no additional audio support (verbatim reading, use of audio functions outside of what is available for all students) should be implemented
- When assessing math, additional audio support or verbatim reading may be implemented for students, as determined by their IEPs though no additional supports should be provided (such as a calculator or the use of manipulatives)
- Any visual support such as enlarging text in a browser window or Mondo benchmark books is acceptable as required by a student's IEP
- Extended time for DIBELS is not available
- Electronic accessibility and calculator functions that are available to all students within the system on both i-Ready and the ACCUPLACER Diagnostics are permissible
- ESOL students at proficiency level 1 (as determined by WIDA), within their first calendar year of enrollment, may be exempted from formative assessments of literacy
- ESOL students at proficiency level 1 (as determined by WIDA), may be able to express what they understand in mathematics if the dominant language is used for directions, which follows PARCC accommodations

ANet Math Interim Assessments

Due to the format and use as a graded task, students being assessed ANet Math Interim assessments may be offered accommodations that meet the following criteria:

- The accommodation is identified in a student's IEP, 504, or EL plan
- The accommodation is approved for use during PARCC assessment
- The accommodation is available in the ANet assessment platform (click [here](#) to review a list of available ANet accommodations)