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Topic: Academic Skills Assessment Requirements

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Follow-Up

Resources:

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Description: The Test for Adult Basic Education (TABE) 9/10 cannot be used after June 30,

2019. The National Reporting System approved TABE 11/12 is significantly different and can be used to document the Educational Functioning Level (EFL) gain under the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) Measurable

Skills Gain (MSG) indicator of performance.

EFL gain is only one of the five ways to document MSG for WIOA Title I Youth Programs. Unlike the Workforce Investment Act (WIA), there is no literacy/numeracy performance measure for Youth Programs, reducing the requirement to measure EFL gains for all youth participants. On the contrary, WIOA Title II or Adult Education programs are required to evaluate EFL gain of all their participants. Adult Education programs use the TABE assessment to measure EFL gain and are transitioning from TABE 9/10 to the TABE 11/12.

Join us on this webinar to learn from Adult Education program experts about the significant changes from TABE 9/10 to TABE 11/12. We will also clarify WIOA requirements, so you can develop informed local policies for implementing cost-effective and less rigorous academic skills assessments. Unlike Adult Education programs, EFL gain applies only to a small number of WIOA Youth Program participants, underscoring establishment of local partnerships to document EFL gain, instead of pre- and post-testing all youth participants.

Pre-webinar review:

- Review youth participant assessment requirements in WIOA regulations (20 CFR 681.290, page 56400, attached)
- Assessments section in <u>Training and Employment Guidance Letter</u> 21-16 (pages 7-8)
- Email specific questions to Youth Assessments Webinar Questions."

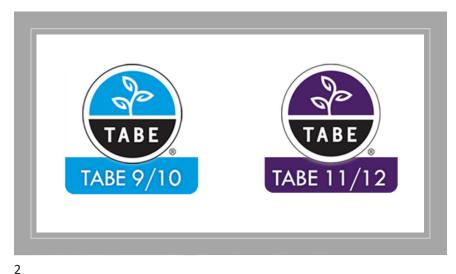
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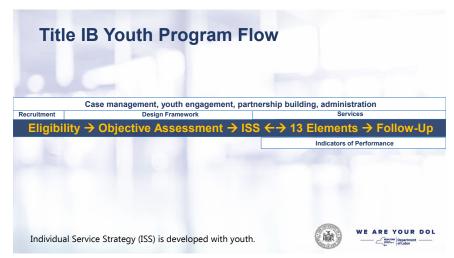


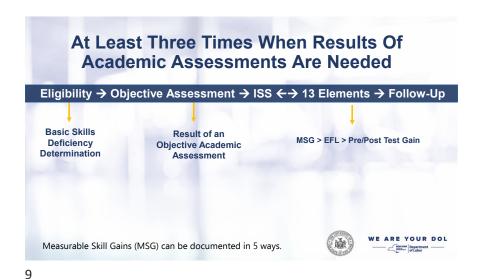












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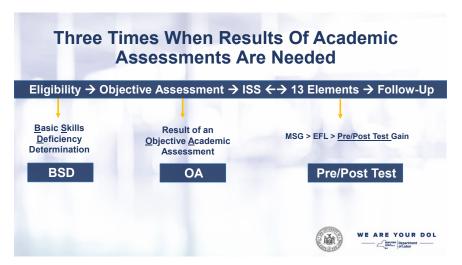
What does your local area do regarding academic assessments? (Select all that apply)

- 1. Pre-test all youth during eligibility
- 2. Pre-test all youth during objective assessment
- 3. Use only NRS-approved test
- 4. Use other ways to document MSG than pre/post test for EFL
- 5. Has partnerships to get EFL gain results instead of testing the youth



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Five Ways to Document Measurable Skill Gains

- 1. Sec. Diploma/Equivalent
- 2. Sec/Postsecondary Transcript/Report Card
- 3. Progress Towards Milestones
- 4. Skills Progression
- 5. Educational Functioning Level

TEGL 10-16 Change 1; TEGL 7-18

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Actual Seven Ways to Document Measurable Skill Gains

- 1. Sec. Diploma/Equivalent
- 2. Sec./Postsecondary Transcript/Report Card
- 3. Progress Towards Milestones
- 4. Skills Progression
- 5. Educational Functioning Level
 - a. Program Exit + Entry Into Postsec. Education

Measurable Skill Gains Documentation

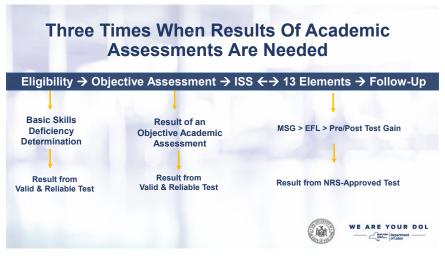
- b. Completion of Credits/Carnegie Units
- c. Pre-Post Test

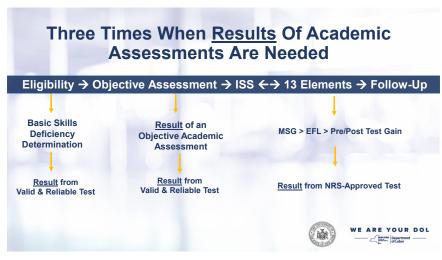
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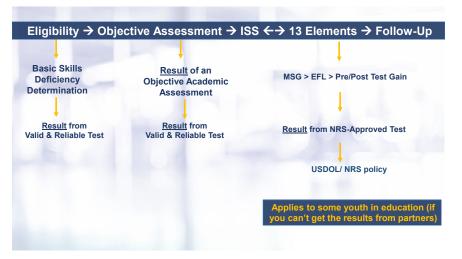
Not All Youth Included in Measurable Skill Gains

	Title I Youth Participants Included				
	I S Y	All			
		Occupational Skills Training			
E.	O S Y	Secondary education at or above 9th grade			
		Postsecondary education			
		Title II-funded adult education at/above 9th grade			
		YouthBuild			
		Job Corps			
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Title I Youth Participants Included		Efficient ways to docum Measurable Skill Gains	nent	
I S Y	All	Transcript/Report Card Diploma/Equivalency	L	
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S Y	Sec. Edu. at or above 9th grade Postsecondary education Title II-funded adult education at/above 9th grade YouthBuild Job Corps	Transcript/Report Card Diploma/Equivalency Progress Toward Milestones Skills Progression Entry into Postsecondary Completion of credits	Ge info from partners	







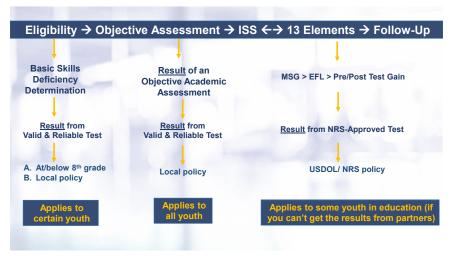
Basic Skills Deficiency

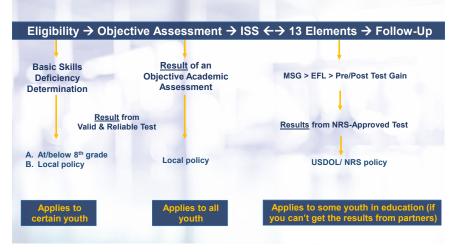
- a) As used in§ 681.210(c)(3), a youth is "basic skills deficient" if he or she:
 - 1) Have English reading, writing, or computing skills at or below the 8th grade level on a generally accepted standardized test; or
 - 2) Are unable to compute or solve problems, or read, write, or speak English at a level necessary to function on the job, in the individual's family, or in society.
- b) The State or Local WDB must establish its policy on paragraph (a)(2) of this section in its respective State or local plan.

c) In assessing basic skills, local programs must use assessment instruments that are: • valid and reliable • appropriate for the target population • must provide reasonable accommodation • cost-effective • well-matched to test administrator's qualifications

Eligibility → Objective Assessment → ISS ←→ 13 Elements → Follow-Up **Basic Skills** Result of an MSG > EFL > Pre/Post Test Gain Deficiency **Objective Academic** Determination Assessment Result from Result from Result from NRS-Approved Test Valid & Reliable Test Valid & Reliable Test A. At/below 8th grade **USDOL/ NRS policy** B. Local policy Applies to some youth in education (if you can't get the results from partners)

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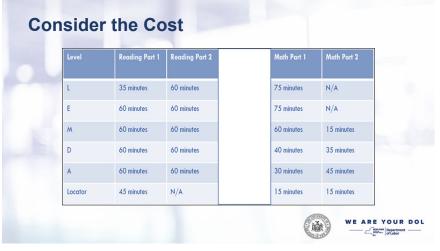


	Basic Skills Deficiency Determination	Objective Assessment → ISS	MSG → EFL→ Pre/Post Test Results
NRS Approved	×	×	✓
√alid & Reliable	✓	/	√
Appropriate for Target Population	✓	√	✓
Reasonable Accommodations	✓	✓	V
Grade level equivalent	(a) at/below 8 th grade √ (b) Local policy ×	×	n/a
Prior assessment results within 6 months	✓	✓	n/a
Applies to all youth	×	✓	×
Cost effective	✓	✓	✓
Qualified Test Administrator	✓	✓	✓

Why not test all youth with NRS approved tests, during Eligibility or Objective Assessment?

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TABE 11 & 12 Introduction

- Based on OCTAE and College and Career Readiness (CCR) standards focused largely on informational texts:
 - Research
 - Scientific
 - Historical Information
- The previous focus from TABE 9&10 was on literary text such as fiction, memoir, or poetry
- Skills are measured using texts and forms familiar to everyday adult lives, as well as through excerpts that reflect cultural diversity

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TABE 11 & 12 Levels
L - Literacy
E - Easy
M - Moderate
D - Difficult
A - Advanced

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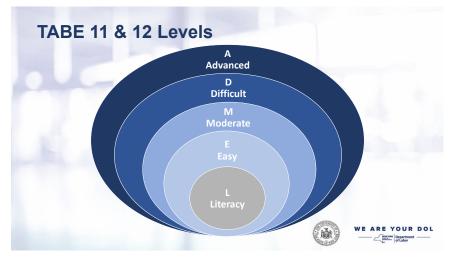
Grade Level Equivalents

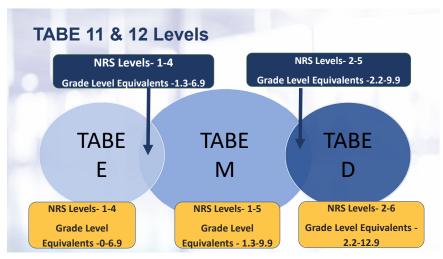
Test Levels: Mathematics, Reading

Content Level

- L K-1 Grade Equivalent
- E 2-3 Grade Equivalent
- M 4-6 Grade Equivalent
- D 6-8 Grade Equivalent
- A 9-12 Grade Equivalent







NRS Level	National Reporting System (NRS) Levels	Grade Level Equivalents
1	Beginning ABE Literacy	0 – 1.9
2	Beginning Basic Education	2 – 3.9
3	Low Intermediate Basic Education	4 – 5.9
4	High Intermediate Basic Education	6 – 8.9
5	Low Adult Secondary Education	9 – 10.9
6	High Adult Secondary Education	11 – 12.9

	Content Area Reporting Objectives	Covered Objectives					
		L	Ε	М	D	Α	
	Mathematics						
	Measurement and Data	•	•	•			
	Number and Operations in Base Ten	•	•	•			
	Number and Operations Fractions		•	•			
	Operations and Algebraic Thinking	•	•	•			
	Geometry	•	•	•	•		
	Expressions and Equations			•	•		
	Ratios and proportional Relationships			•	•		
Objectives by Level	The Number System			•	•		
	Statistics and Probability			•	•		
	Functions				•		
	Algebra						
	Number and Quantity						
	Standards for Mathematical Practice (double count)	•	•	•	•		
	Reading						
	Phonological Awareness	•					
	Phonics and Word Recognition	•	•				
	Key Ideas and Details	•	•	•	•		
	Craft and Structure	•	•	•	•		
	Integration of Knoledge and Ideas	•	•	•	•		
	Informational text (double count)	•	•	•	•		
	Literary Text (double count)			•	•		

TABE 11 & 12 Reading Content

- The Reading test measures:
 - basic adult reading skills
 - ability to construct meaning from a variety of informational and literary texts
- The content reflects:

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- mature, life-and work-related situations and highlights overlapping objectives
- ranges from word-meaning skills to critical-thinking skills.

TABE 11 & 12 Reading Content

- Many facets of the reading process are measured using texts and forms that are familiar in everyday adult lives, as well as excerpts that reflect our cultural diversity
- There are also items that specifically test an examinee's ability to find and use information in sources, including stimuli such as diagrams and web pages



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TABE 11 & 12 Reading Content

Reading Domains:

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- Reading Foundational Skills
- Key Ideas and Details
- · Craft and Structure
- Integration of Knowledge and Ideas



TABE 11 & 12 Reading Content

- In determining the specifications for the reading passages, the College and Career Readiness Standards for Adult Education (OCTAE CCR) were considered.
- THE OCTAE CCR standards focus largely on informational texts, such as research, scientific, and historical informational texts, that would be of interest and relevant to an adult population.

TABE 11 & 12 Reading Content

- The mathematics test assesses mathematical application as well as more routine tasks, such as estimating quantities, and making computations that involve time, distance, and weight
- Item sets are integrated by mathematical contexts appropriate for adults
- The objective distribution in Level A is very closely aligned with the content distribution of the TASC Mathematics subtest

Math Content

Mathematics Domains:

- · Measurement and Data
- · Number and Operations —Fractions
- · Number and Operations in Base Ten
- · Operations and Algebraic Thinking
- Geometry
- Expressions and Equations
- · Ratios and Proportional Relationships
- · Statistics and Probability
- The Number System
- Functions
- Algebra
- Number in Quantity





TABE 11 & 12 Modalities

Mathematics Domains:

- Regular-sized print
- Large-print
 Braille
- Audio CD formats
- Text-to-Speech tool available in DRC INSIGHT



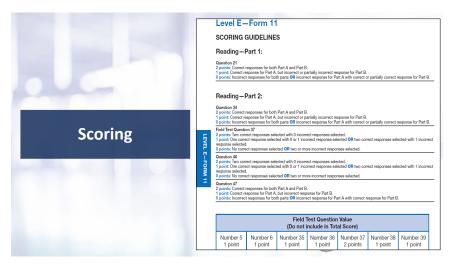


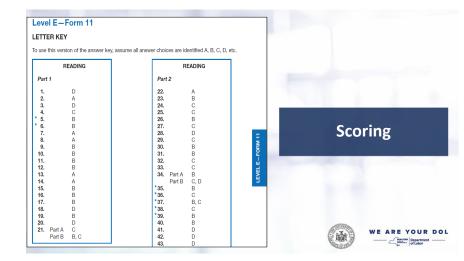
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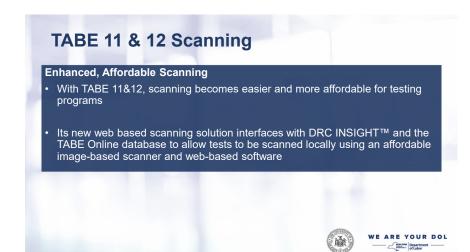
Scoring

- Programs may choose to hand score the DRC TABE 11/12 Answer Sheets
- Must use Scoring Guide issued by DRC









Scanning

- BOTH TABE online and paper testing data is stored in the same database
- Regardless of online testing or paper testing, the student's score sheet is scanned directly to DRC
- The student's scores are then uploaded to the program's account in DRC's Insight reporting System



TABE 11 & 12 Scanner Requirements

- A "duplex" scanner that scans both sides of a page in one pass
- · An automatic document feeder
- Must have the TWAIN (a widely-used program that lets you scan an image)



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TABE 11 & 12 Scanner Requirements

Scanner Examples:

- · The scanners listed meet the requirements for scanning TABE answer documents.
- Note: The scanners listed are NOT suggestions or recommendations; they are simply examples of commonly available products that meet the scanning requirements.





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TABE 11 & 12 Diagnostic DRC Individual Profile: Johnson, Mike 4900 TABE 11 ALL State: MN District: SAMPLE DISTRICT School: TABE TEST SCHOOL ID: Test Name: Report: Report Date: 584 607 If a student scores more than one NRS level above the targeted level, then a (+) sign will appear next to the scale score and their score will be set to the highest possible scale score, which is one above the targeted level. In this case, students may want to tes with a higher TABE test in order to better assess their ability. Reading Key Ideas and Details Craft and Structure Integration of Knowledge and Idea Mathematics 1

TABE 11 & 12 Scanner Requirements

EPSON:

- Epson DS-530
- Epson DS-780N
- · WorkForce ES-500W
- WorkForce ES-400
- WorkForce ES-300W

BROTHER:

- ImageCenter™ ADS-2800W
- ImageCenter™ ADS-3600W
- Brother MFCL5700DW

FUJITSU:

- FUJITSU fi-7160
- · Note: Avoid the Fujitsu Xi scanner series because it does not support

TABE 11 & 12 Accommodations

Category 1 Accommodations

Presentation

- Use visual magnifying equipment
- Use a Large Print edition of the test
- · Use audio amplification equipment
- · Use markers to maintain place





TABE 11 & 12 Accommodations

Category 1 Accommodations

Response

- · Mark responses in test book
- Mark responses on Large Print answer document
- For selected-response items, indicate responses to a scribe
- Record responses on audiotape (except for constructed-response writing tests)



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TABE 11 & 12 Accommodations

Category 1 Accommodations

Setting

- Take the test alone or in a study carrel
- Take the test with a small group or different class
- Take the test at home or in a care facility (e.g., hospital) with supervision
- · Use adaptive furniture
- · Use special lighting and/or acoustics





TABE 11 & 12 Accommodations

Category 1 Accommodations

Response

- Use a computer, typewriter, Braille writer, or other machine (e.g., communication board) to respond
- · Use a template to maintain place for responding
- Indicate responses with other communication devices (e.g., speech synthesizer)
- For selected-response items, use sign language to indicate responses

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TABE 11 & 12 Accommodations

Category 1 Accommodations

Timing/Scheduling

- Take more breaks (Note: breaks should not result in extra time for testing or opportunity to study information in a test already begun)
- Have flexible scheduling (e.g., time of day, days between sessions), which should not result in extra time for testing or opportunity to study information in a test already begun





TABE 11 & 12 Accommodations

Reminder:

TABE is meant to be a diagnostic assessment

Which means any accommodation that goes beyond a Category 1 accommodation will potentially alter the validity of the test score and the diagnostic capability of the test





Let's Take a Closer Look:

- Questions are formatted differently than in past iterations of the TABE test
- Students are required to synthesize questions to arrive at correct answers
- Higher level thinking skills are necessary
 - Students need practice in this approach





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Let's Take a Look: Level E

Which of these sentences best states he author's opinion of service dogs?

- A. Service dogs are better than pet dogs.
- B. Everyone should have a service dog.
- Service dogs are hard-working helpers.
- D. More people should train service dogs.





Let's Take a Look: Level E

Part A



- Service dogs are good mends.
- Service dogs are specially trained.
- Service dogs are raised in families.
- Service dogs are seen in public places.

Part B

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Which two sentences from the article best support the answer to Part A?

- "Many animals are fun to watch and to have as pets."
- "These puppies live with volunteer families."
- "The dogs must learn to follow commands."
- "Dogs that do pass the tests continue with more specific training."
- "Service animals are more than pets."

Let's Take a Look: Level M

Which of these do the sentences from the passage support?

- A. The colonists did not object to British rule.
- B. The British offered colonists a seat in Parliament.
- C. The British felt that the colonists owed them money.
- D. The colonists opposed the way the British treated them.

Which inference can be made about the tea tax?

- A. The British Parliament had every right to put a tea tax into effect.
- B. The Boston Tea Party did not help the colonists solve the tea tax problem.
- C. The tea tax was unfair because colonists did not have a say in the laws that governed them.
- D. The tea tax was a fee that many colonists wanted to pay because they enjoyed drinking tea.

Let's Take a Look: Level D

What is inferred during Aiden's conversation with Sabine?

- She is irritated at Aiden's mistakes.
- B. She is eager to help Aiden understand.
- She is apologetic for French culture.
- D. She is disappointed in the attitude of the French.





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Let's Take a Look: Level D

Which detail from the story is evidence that the café server is displeased with Aiden?

- A. He refuses to serve Aiden.
- B. He asks Aiden to leave the café.
- C. He makes Aiden wait for his order.
- D. He corrects Aiden's use of the language.

What do the even's in the café imply?

- A. Aiden lacks confidence to complete even simple tasks.
- B. Aiden seeks mainly to impress people with his fluency.
- C. Aiden realizes studying in a foreign country is a mistake.
- D. Aiden believes he has prepared well for his time abroad.

Let's Take a Look: Level A

Part A

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Which of these most accurately compares the viewpoints of the authors of "Da Vinci: The Artist" and "Da Vinci: The Scientist"?

- A. The two authors agree that do Vinci's study of science after took nim away from his painting.
- The two authors agree that da Vinci's desire to study and learn helped make him a great artist.
- C. The author of "Da Vinci: The Artist" thinks that da Vinci was a traditional artist, while the author of "Da Vinci: The Scientist" thinks that da Vinci was an artistic genius.
- D. The author of "Da Vinci: The Artist" thinks that da Vinci's genius was in art, while the author of "Da Vinci: The Scientist" thinks that da Vinci's genius was actually in science.

Let's Take a Look: Level A

Part B

Which two sentences, one from each passage, best support the answer to Part A?

- A. Although fower than 20 of his paintings still exist, they all have a preminent place in the art world." (paragraph 1, Da Vinci: The Artist)
- B. "One might wonder what makes the work of Leonardo da Vinci so unique since his career took the traditional path for an artist in the late fifteenth century." (paragraph 1, Da Vinci: The Artist)
- C. "Da Vinci's unique perspective, curiosity, and natural talent combined to make him one of the most influential artists of all time." (paragraph 1, Da Vinci: The Artist)
- D. "Although many people acclaim Leonardo da Vinci's genius as an artist, fewer people recognize his talents in the world of science." (paragraph 1, Da Vinci: The Scientist)
- E. "Yet his passion for scientific study was the secret to his artistic success." (paragraph 1, Da Vinci: The Scientist)
- F. "In fact, only around fifteen of da Vinci's paintings exist today, while over 6,000 pages from his notebooks survive." (paragraph 1, Da Vinci: The Scientist)

Testing Times 11 & 12 Series:

- Test Administrator must read the directions to all test takers
- Regardless of any Level test taker, directions must be read
- · Directions are different for each test level!





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Administration of the paper TABE 11/12

- Timed Tests
 - Test should be scheduled for time frames suitable for completing each section of the test
- Breaks should be given between sections of the test NOT during the sections



Administration of the paper TABE 11/12

- If the test is interrupted (ie. a student leaves before the section is complete, a fire drill interrupts the test, student is taken ill)
 - The test results are rendered invalid
 - Retest must be scheduled





Calculator and Protractor Use on the TABE

- Protractor for Mathematics, Level M only
- Basic 4-Function calculator for Mathematics Part 2, Level M only
- Scientific calculator for Mathematics Part 2, Levels D and A only





Calculator Use on the TABE

- Remember to teach your students the proper use of the calculator
- If you are using a scientific calculator you must provide guided practice
- A four-function calculator (like that from the dollar store) functions very differently!



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TABE 11 & 12 Resources

Now available on tabetest.com:

TABE 11&12 Blueprints

www.tabetest.com/resources-2/testing-information/blue-prints/

TABE 11&12 Sample Practice Items

www.tabetest.com/resources-2/testing-information/tabe-1112-practice/

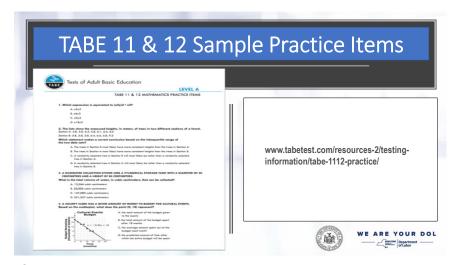
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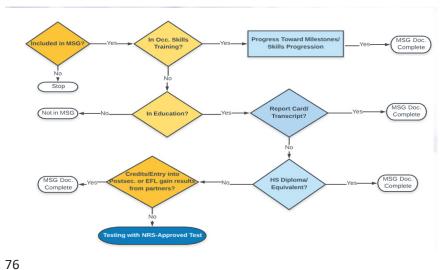
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