

Agenda



- Defining Kindergarten Readiness
- K-Readiness
 Assessment
 - Preparing your students
 - Student experience
 - Admin experience
- Support and Resources
- Questions





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"To accelerate learning for all children and adults of all ability levels and ethnic and social backgrounds, worldwide."



Defining Kindergarten Readiness

Who takes the test?

- All public and charter K
- All public Pre-K
- All Collaborative Pre-K
- School 500

How many times do they test?

- Pre-test in the fall(Aug. 12 Sept 20)
- Post-test in the spring
 (March 23 April 24)

What are the benchmarks?

- Kindergarten
 - Fall **SS 530**
 - Spring **SS 681**
- Pre-K
 - Spring **SS 498**



Defining STAR[™] Early Literacy

What is STAR Early Literacy?



- Computer adaptive assessment
- Contains 27 items assessing early literacy and numeracy skills
- Designed for students who do not yet read independently
- Generally given to students ages 3 to 9

STAR Early Literacy assesses early literacy and numeracy skills in three key domains.

Word Knowledge and Skills

Alphabetic Principle

- Alphabetic Knowledge
- · Alphabetic Sequence
- Letter Sounds

Concept of Word

- · Print Concepts: Word Length
- Print Concepts: Word Borders
- Print Concepts: Letters and Words

Visual Discrimination

- Letters
- Identification and Word Matching

Phonemic Awareness

- Rhyming and Word Families
- Blending Word Parts
- Blending Phonemes
- · Initial and Final Phonemes
- Consonant Blends (PA)
- · Medial Phoneme Discrimination
- · Phoneme Segmentation
- · Phoneme Isolation/Manipulation

Phonics

- · Short Vowel Sounds
- Initial Consonant Sounds
- Final Consonant Sounds
- · Long Vowel Sounds
- Variant Vowel Sounds
- Consonant Blends (PH)
- Consonant Digraphs
- Other Vowel Sounds
- Sound-Symbol Correspondence: Consonants
- Word Building
- Sound-Symbol Correspondence: Vowels
- Word Families/Rhyming

Structural Analysis

- · Words with Affixes
- Syllabification
- Compound Words

Vocabulary

- Word Facility
- Synonyms
- Antonyms

Comprehension Strategies and Constructing Meaning

Sentence-level Comprehension

· Comprehension at the Sentence Level

Paragraph-level Comprehension

· Comprehension of Paragraphs

Numbers and Operations

Early Numeracy

- Number Naming and Number Identification
- · Number Object Correspondence
- Sequence Completion
- Composing and Decomposing
- Measurement

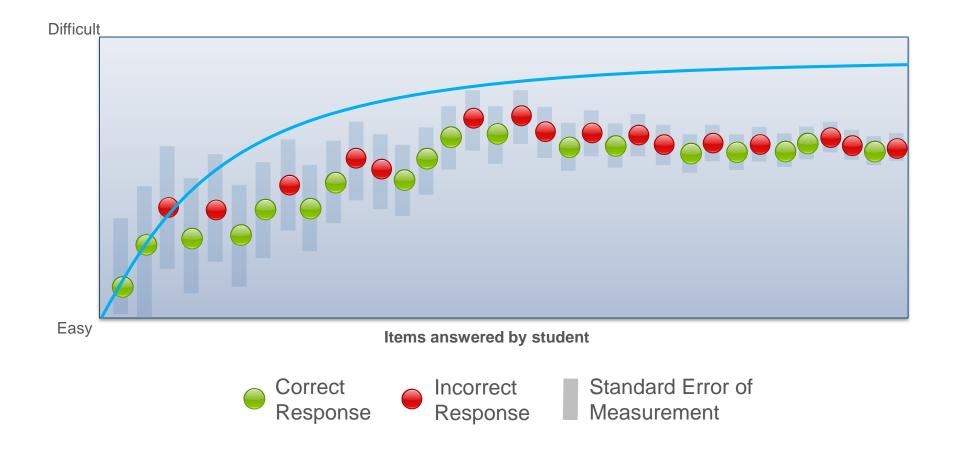


Item Response Theory

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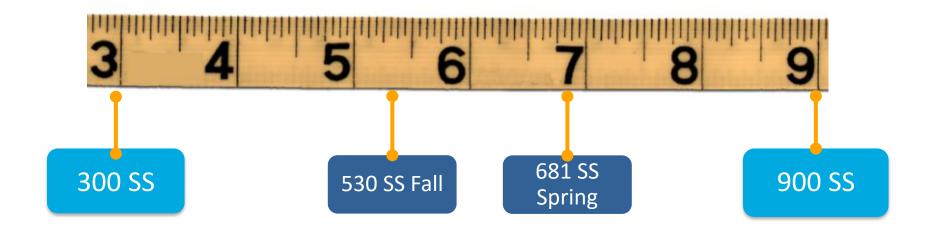


How does a computer adaptive test work?





STAR Early Literacy Scaled Score (SS)



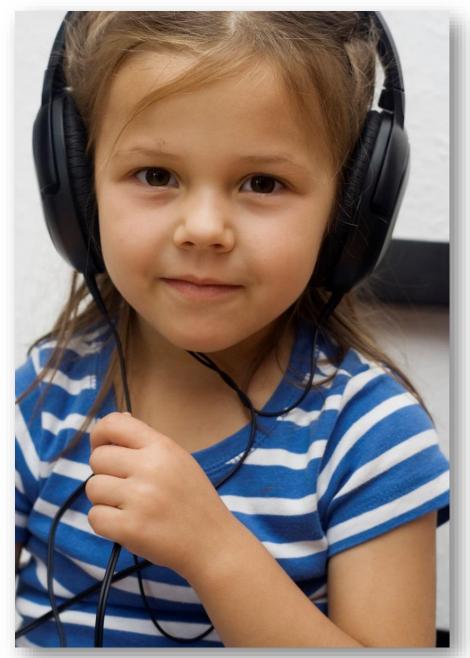


Preparing Students

Pretest instructions

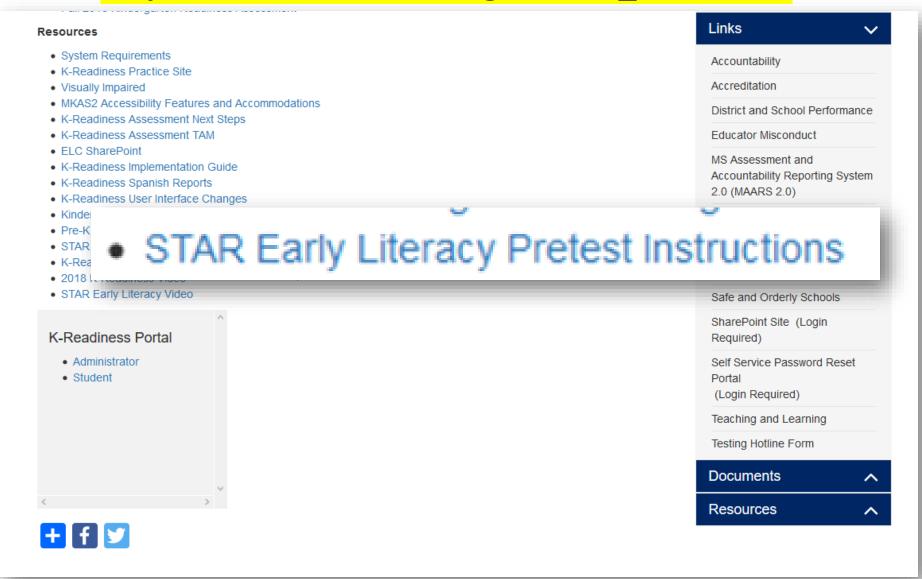
Introduction to computer use

STAR Early Literacy practice website



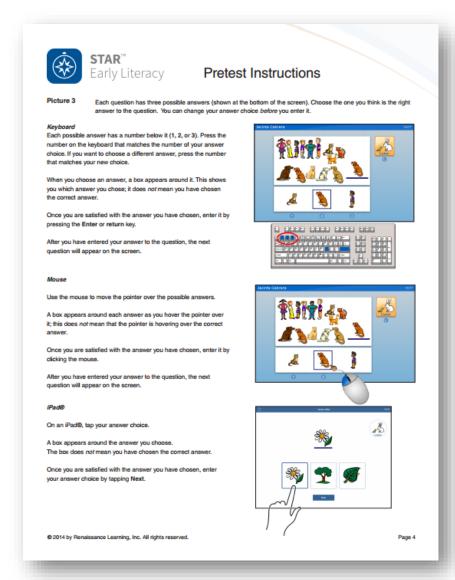
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Resources Prior to Testing



Prepare students for technology

Pretest Instructions





Pretest Instructions

Picture 5

If you see this message during the training or practice questions, raise your hand and call the teacher or test monitor.

He or she will know what to do.

Desktop Computer or Laptop

This student needs help using the mouse or keyboard. Please show the student how they work.



Click on the map to dismiss this alert and resume practice.

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Prepare students for technology

Introduction to Computer Use

Introduction to Computer use

For young students, using a computer can be an unfamiliar experience. As educators increasingly use technology for instruction, practice, and assessment, consider strategies such as those that follow to provide students with the background they need to make use of technology.

Keyboard use

- Introduce: Show students an enlarged image of a computer keyboard, either projected or on a poster.
 Demonstrate how to touch keys and where special keys like the enter key and spacebar are located.
- Practice: Provide a copy of a small version of the keyboard (see page 2). Highlight the keys you want students to learn, such as their user names or other keys they will need for the applications they're using. Save the keyboards and allow students to practice periodically, providing experience with an actual keyboard when possible.
- Application tip: Consider putting stickers or paint on keyboard keys the students may need to use for the applications you'll be using.

Mouse use

- Introduce: Demonstrate for the class how to hold the mouse. Explain its proper use and how to handle it
 with care. Show how you can pick up the mouse and move it if the cursor isn't where you need it to be in
 order to click.
- Practice: Provide students with an opportunity to hold the mouse and click the left button with an index finger.
- Provide opportunities for students to access websites to practice using the mouse. Before learning to drag-and-drop or right click, students should become familiar with simply moving the mouse and left-clicking. Some examples of websites that provide practice for simple mouse use include:
 - www.headsprout.com/code/launchMA.cfm
 - www.sheppardsoftware.com/preschool/preschool.htm
 - http://minimouse.us/
 - http://literacycenter.net/
- Application tip: Consider putting a small sticker on the left mouse button to remind students which button to use to left-click.

Headphone use

- Introduce: Demonstrate proper use of headphones such as how to plug them in, how to put them on and adjust the size, and where to set them when finished.
- If using headphones with volume control, demonstrate how to make adjustments. Discuss how the
 volume should not be set too high so that it damages hearing or distracts others.
- Explain to students that if they talk while wearing headphones, their voices may be too loud for the classroom. Instruct them to raise their hands while wearing headphones or take them off before talking.

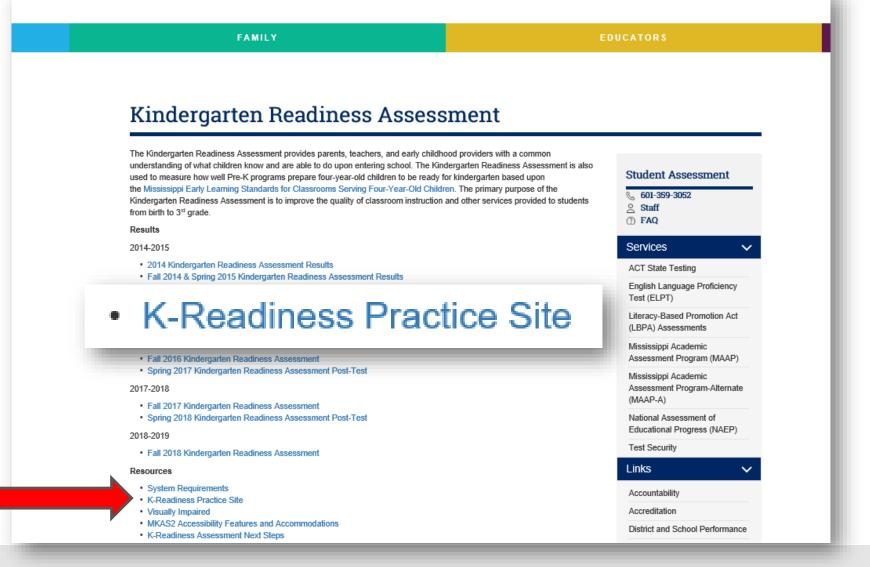


- Practice: Allow students to practice using the headphones appropriately while
 using the computers, at a listening center, or to block out ambient noise during
 quiet time
- **Application tip:** Have students put on their headphones after logging in and being told to by the teacher so they are still able to hear directions or ask for help.



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Prepare students for technology

STAR Early Literacy Practice Website

- Demonstrate taking the test
- Talk through the information on the pretest instructions
- Model "think aloud" strategies to verbalize your thought processes
 - Making an answer choice
 - Needing an item repeated
 - Not knowing an answer
 - Waiting

Watch this video to learn more about Renaissance Star Early Literacy®.

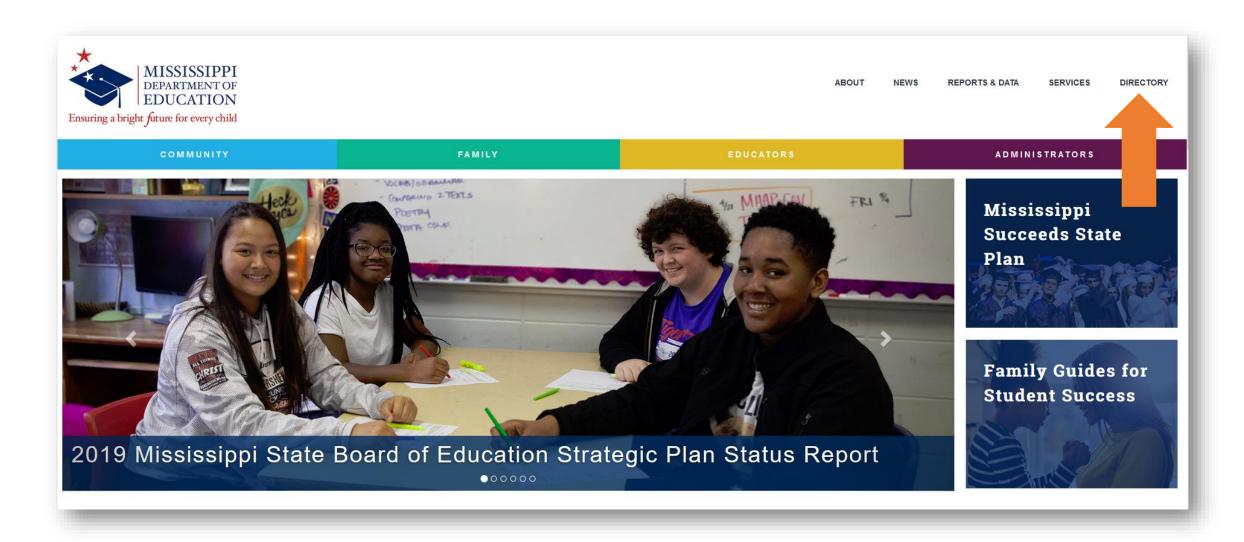




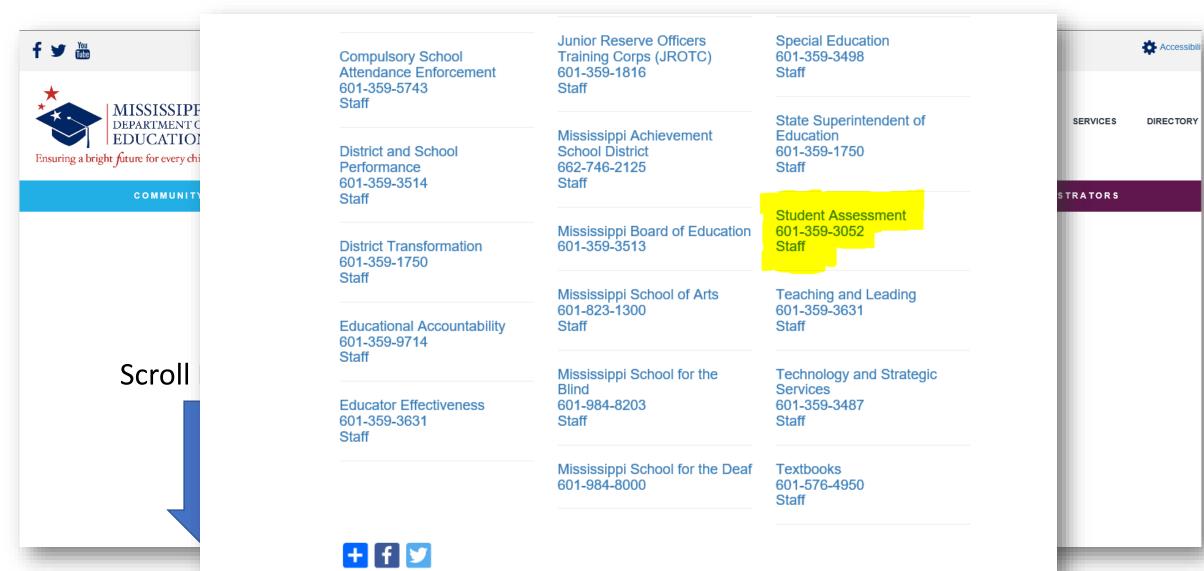
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Navigating the State Portal: Student Assessment



Navigating the State Portal: Literacy Based Promotion Act (LBPA) Assessments



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Passed during the 2013 legislative session, the Literacy-Based Promotion Act (LBPA) places an emphasis on grade-level reading skills, particularly as students' progress through grades K-3. Beginning in the 2014-2015 school year, a student scoring at the lowest achievement level in reading on the established state-wide assessment for 3rd grade will not be promoted to 4th grade unless the student qualifies for a good cause exemption.

The LBPA was amended in 2016 and includes changes such as an Individual Reading Plan (IRP) and increased expectations for 3rd grade students beginning in 2018-2019.

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LBPA Resources

- LBPA FAQs
- Key Dates
- LBPA Flyer

LBPA Webpages

- Universal Screener and Diagno
- · K-Readiness Assessment
- 3rd Grade MAAP ELA Assess





K-3 Screener/Data Coordinator



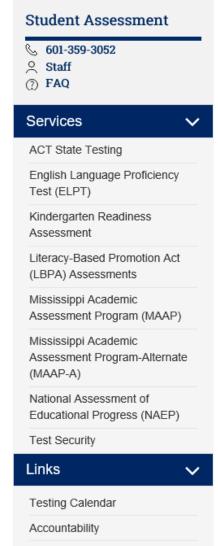
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LBPA Parents as Partners

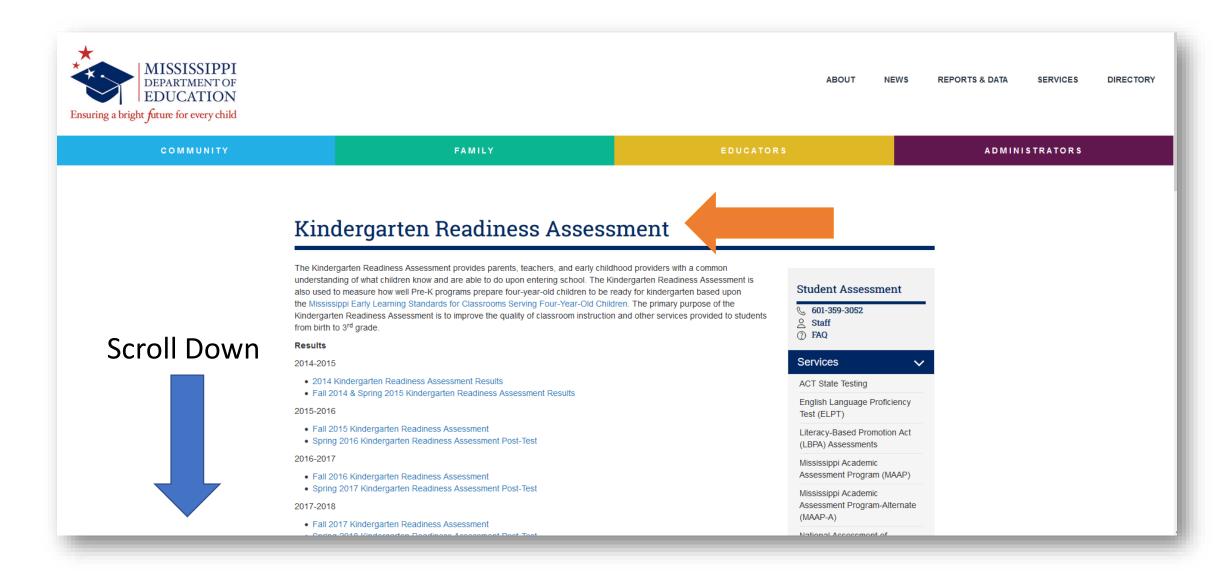


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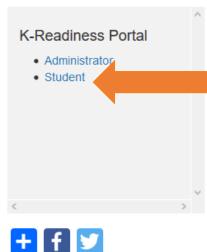
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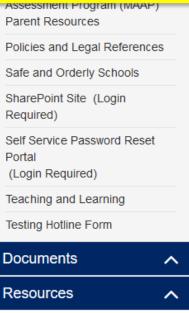
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Educator Misconduct









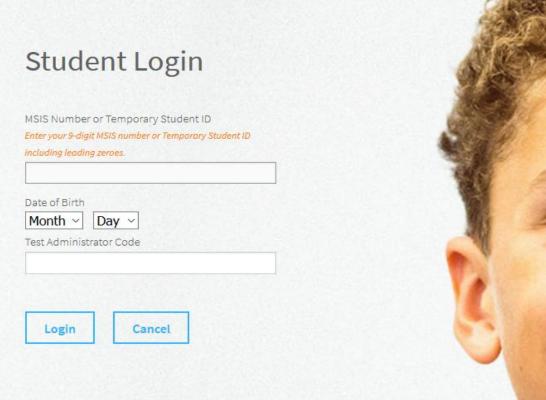


Kindergarten Readiness



Student

Student Login





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Kindergarten Readiness

Student

Student Confirmation

Confirm your account.

If this account is yours, press the "Yes" button below to continue.

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DOB: 11/14

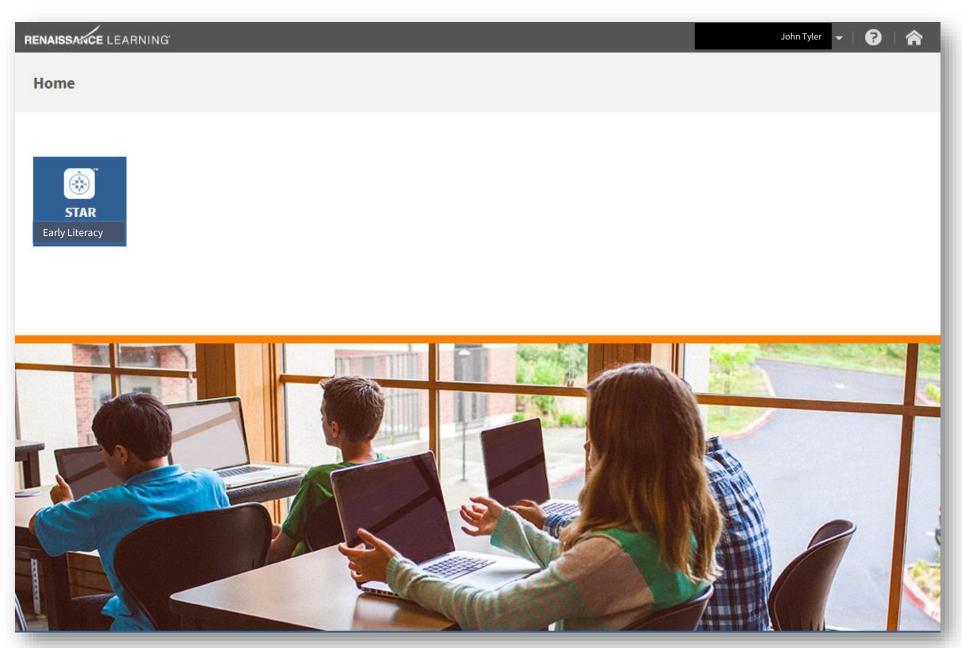
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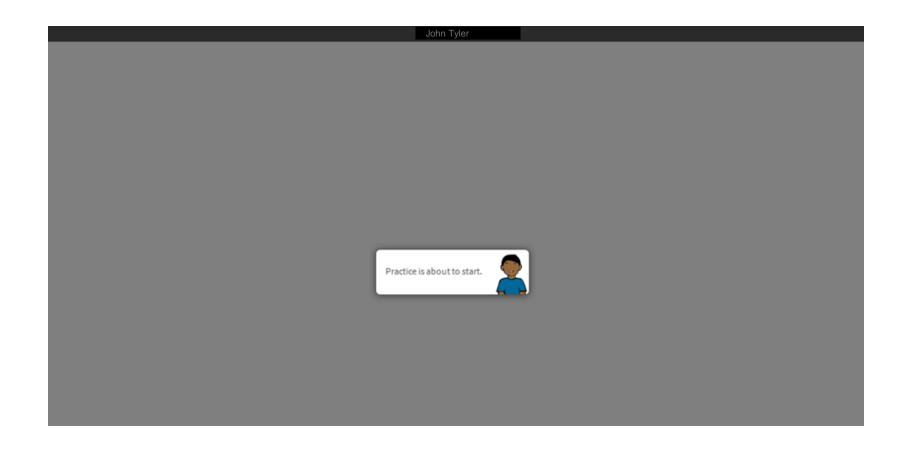
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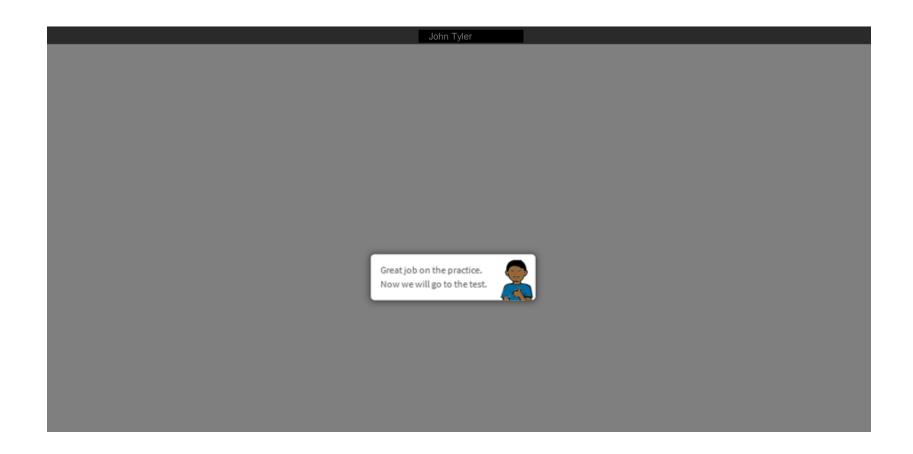
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Begin practice items.



Begin the test.



Jeff Salewske





Answer Items

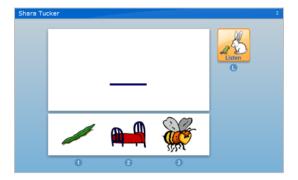






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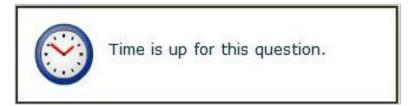
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Pause or Stop a Test (Ctrl + A)

Item Time Limits



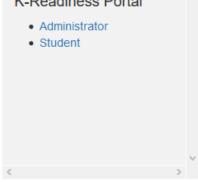


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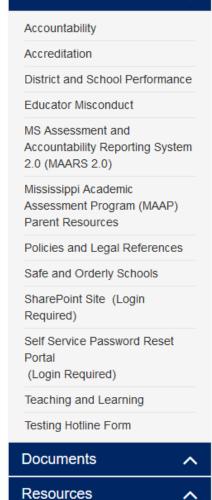










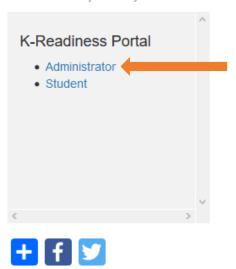




Administrator Access

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Kindergarten Readiness

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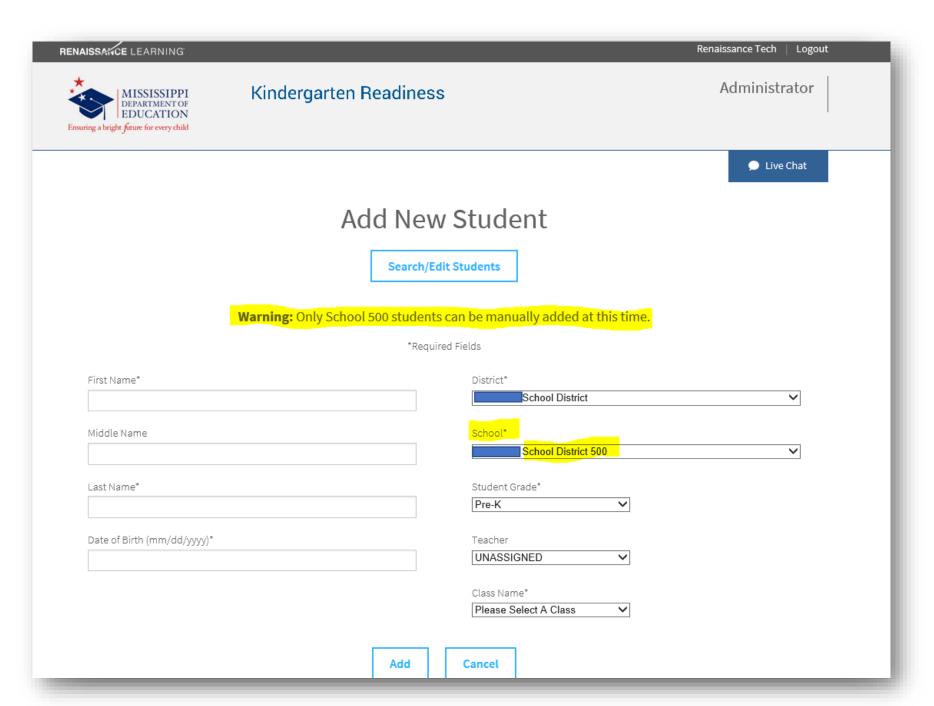
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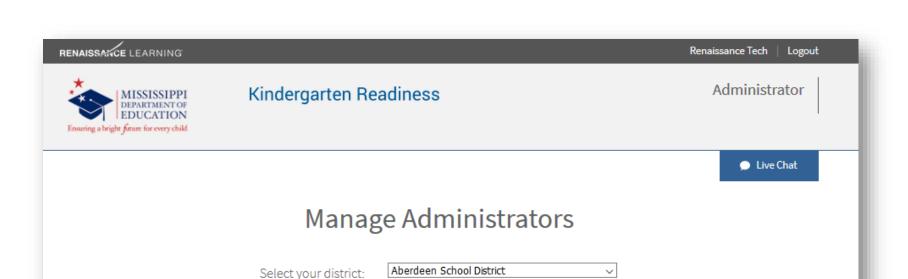
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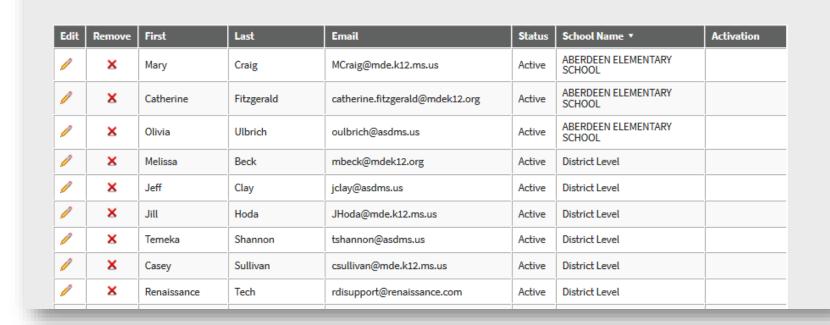
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Add New Administrator

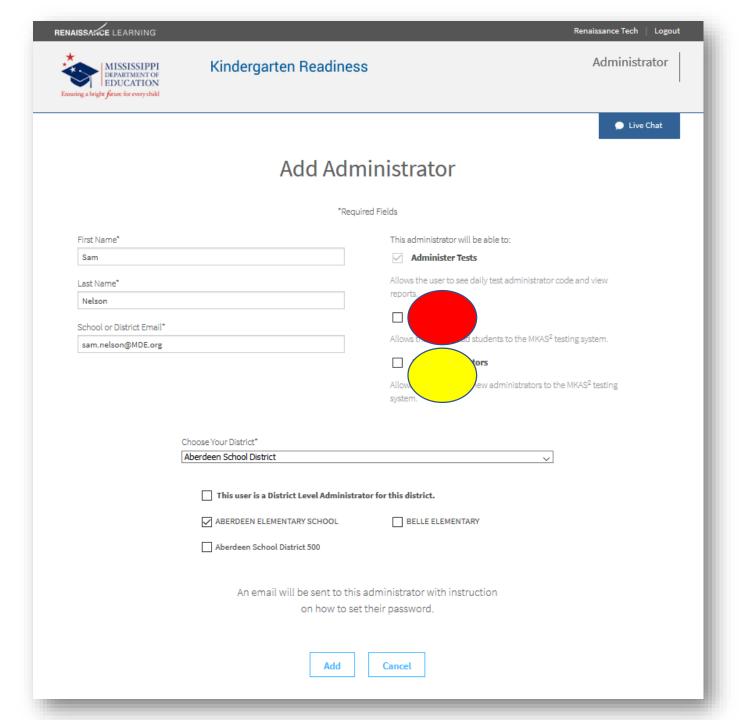
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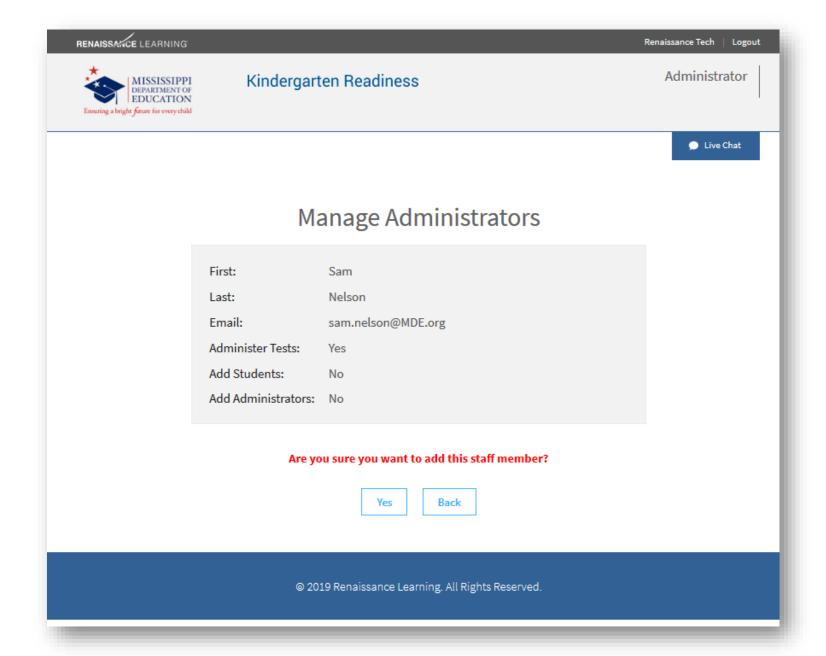


Return Home

Add Administrator



New Administrator Verification



Administrator



Administrator Added Successfully

Administrator Added Successfully

First: Sam

Nelson Last:

sam.nelson@MDE.org Email:

Administer Tests: Yes

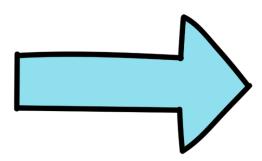
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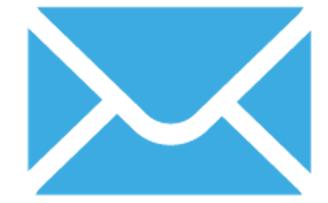
Add Administrators:

OK

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E-mail Notification





Welcome to the Mississippi K-Readiness Management Portal, Erica Rials. This portal provides access to the Mississippi Kindergarten Readiness Assessment portal.

Please click on the link below. You will then be prompted to activate your account and set your password and will be given access to the Kindergarten Readiness Management Portal.

This account is only to be used with K-Readiness testing. On this site, you will be able to Render Reports, Add Students, and Add Staff at Canton Early Learning Collaborative.

Note: You do not need admin rights to access the Screening and Diagnostic portion of the portal. The Screening and Diagnostic selection on this site simply takes you to the local Renaissance Place site for the Target Literacy Schools.

Note: This email account cannot accept replies.

You can access the site at the link below and enter your Activation Code.

https://mkas.renlearn.com/admin/activateaccount.aspx

Activation Code: 8B5256830EF40AFDE59D

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Administrator



Account Activation Code

Account Activation Process

Enter Activation Code

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Activate

Cancel

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Account Activation Process

Enter New Password ••••• Re-enter Password ••••• Save Cancel

Password must be eight characters long and contain at least one letter and one number.

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Account Activation - Password

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Successful Account Activation

Account Activation Process

You have been successfully added as a school administrator to the MKAS Portal.

Click the link below to enter the portal.

MKAS² Portal

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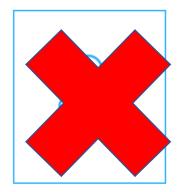
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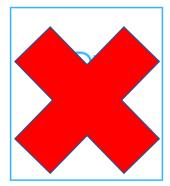
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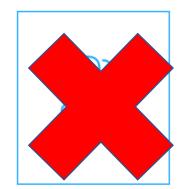


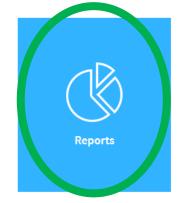
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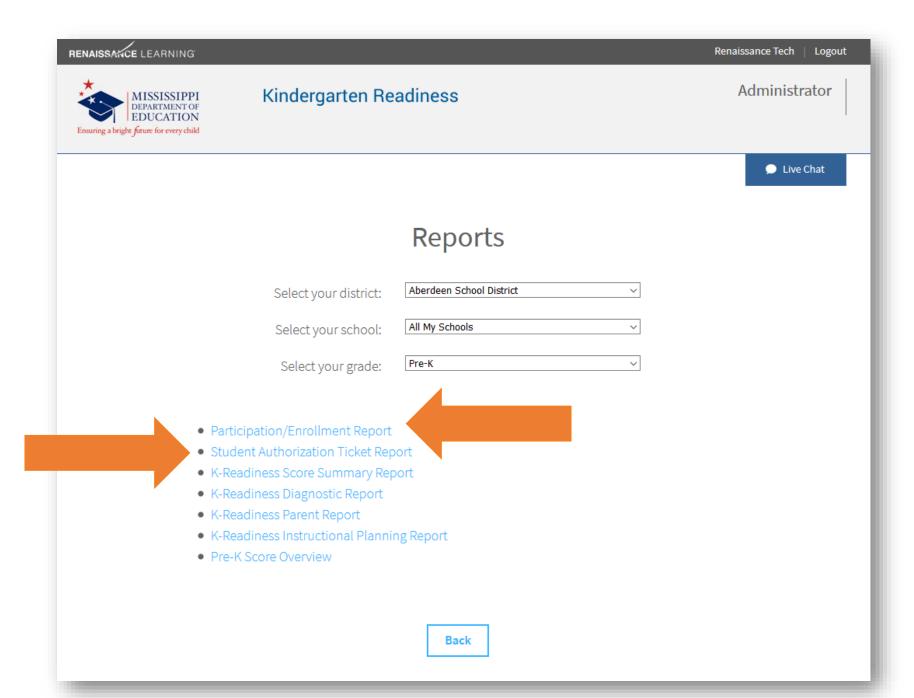






Today's Test Administrator Codes

District	School	Code	
Aberdeen School District	ABERDEEN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	GDNXH	
Aberdeen School District	Aberdeen School District 500	PYDGL	



Report Options

Participation/Enrollment Report



MKAS^a Mississippi K-3 Assessment Support System

Kindergarten Participation Report

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District: All Others School: Test 4-P04



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Teacher: ALL MY TEACHERS GradeLevel: K Testing Window: Sixth Week PK (7/13/14-7/19/14) Display: All Students

FIRST	MIDDLE	LAST	MSIS ID	DOB	TEACHER NAME	TEST DATE
Hannah		Anderson	T09138847	Jan 03	Not Assigned	
Graham	Α	Beaker	009133265	Apr 22	Teacher1	
Maria		Chavez	T46095769	Oct 07	Teacher2	
Isaac		Elliot	009100328	Jan 25	Teacher3	
Deacon		Greenway	009111476	May 13	Teacher4	
Salvador	J	Hernandez	009128999	Aug 10	Not Assigned	
Cecilia		Holland	009153232	Feb 15	Teacher1	
Eloise		Jackson	009174289	Dec 17	Teacher2	
Michael		Jaeger	009123483	Mar 09	Teacher3	
Mai		Lee	009123456	Jul 01	Teacher4	
Ronald	J	Lippe	009134567	Apr 29	Not Assigned	
Kraig		McBride	009187321	Nov 14	Teacher1	
Sofia		Moreno	T87139252	Oct 16	Teacher2	
Jules	М	Narecki	009174290	Aug 04	Teacher3	
Kaitlyn		Pisorski	009104728	Jun 28	Teacher4	
Mateo		Rivera	009110305	Sep 19	Not Assigned	
Luciana	E	Schingo	009183576	Sep 02	Teacher1	
Connor		Yang	009170031	Jul 21	Teacher2	
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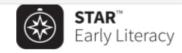
Student Authorization Ticket



MKAS Mississippi K-3 Assessment Support System

Kindergarten Student Authorization Ticket Report

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MKAS – Student Authorization Ticket

School Name: Houston Upper Elementary-123

Teacher Name: Test, Teacher4 Student Name: john doe

Test: You are authorized to take the Kindergarten Reading Assessment.

When you are ready to access the test, select "Student Login" from the MKAS webpage: http://www.mde.k12.ms.us/MKAS2

You will be asked to provide the following information in order to access the test on the computer.

Please wait for the instructions from the test monitor before proceeding.

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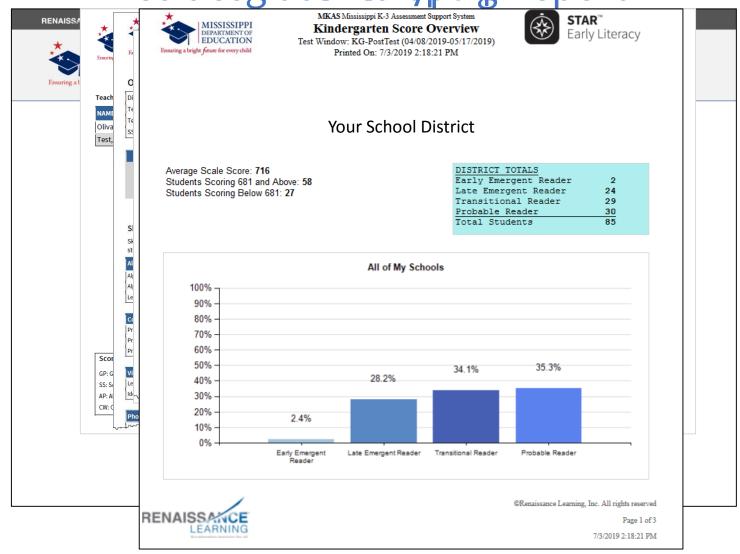
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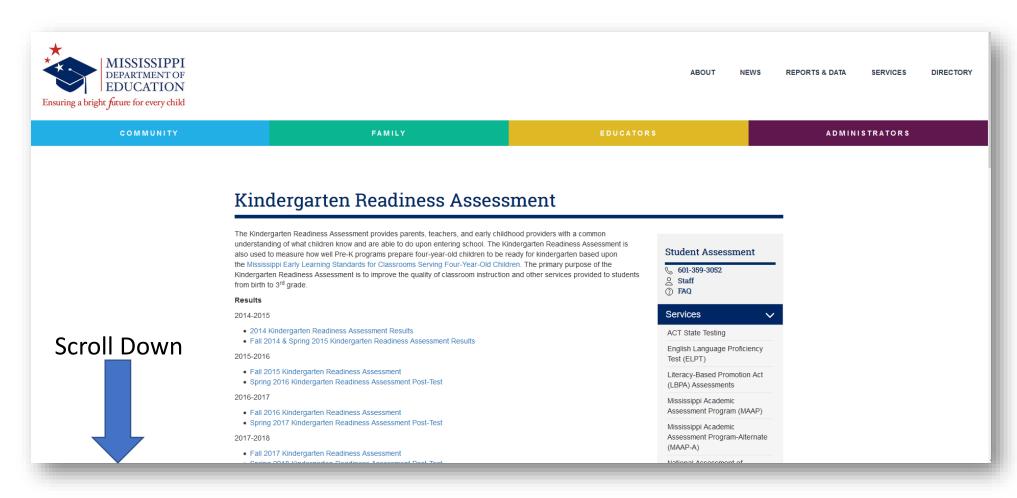
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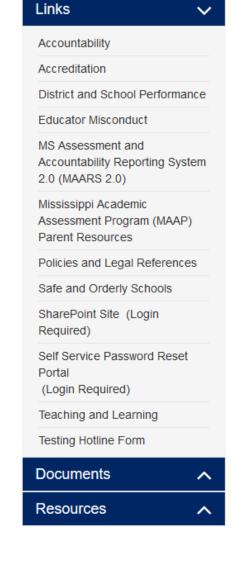
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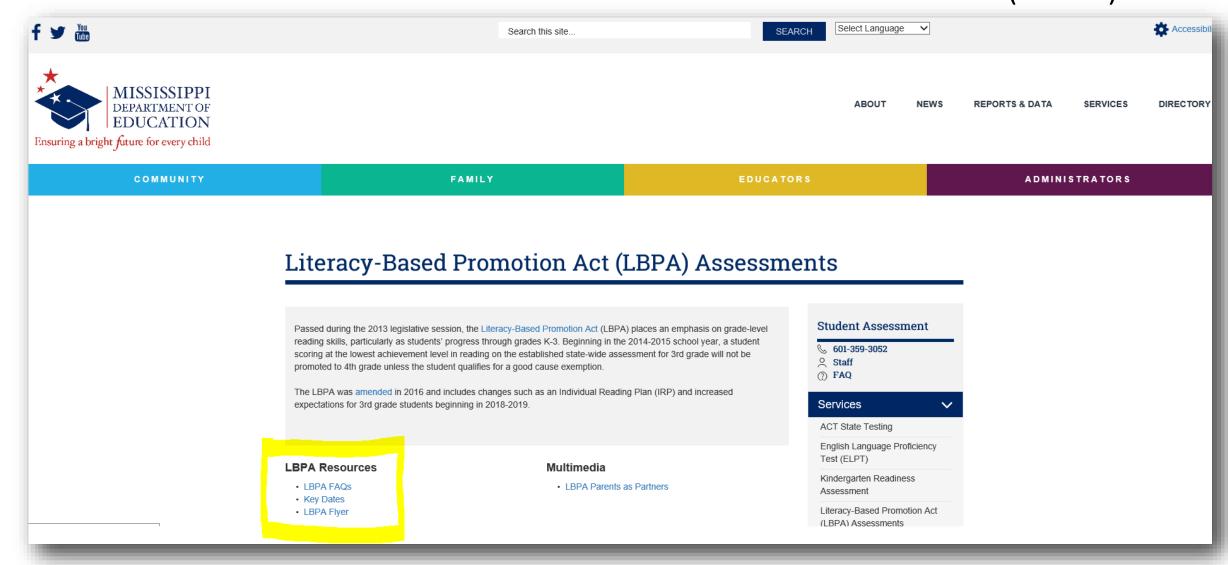






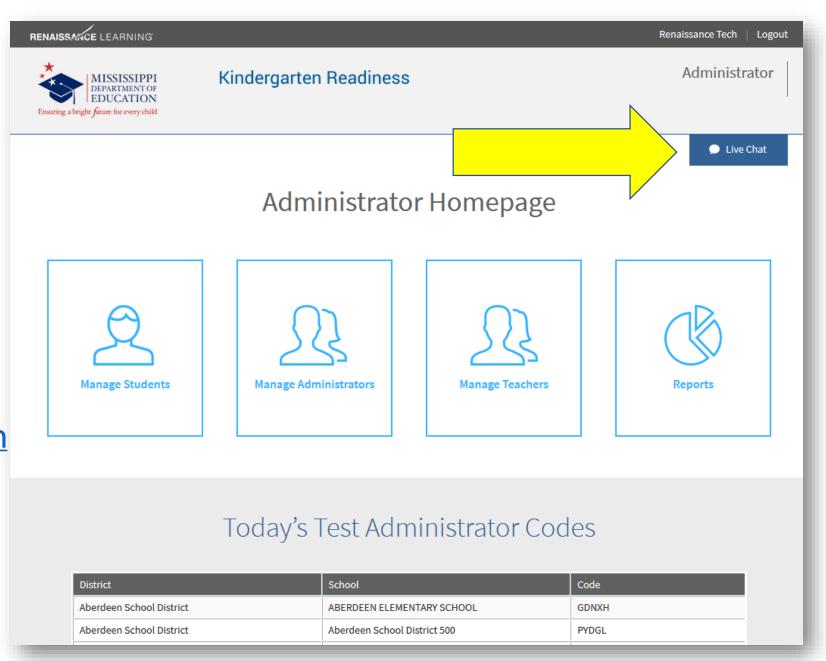


Navigating the State Portal: Literacy Based Promotion Act (LBPA)



Renaissance Mississippi K-Readiness Technical Support

- Live Chat
- **1-800-338-4204**
- answers@renaissance.com



Key Takeaways

- Testing Windows:
 - Pre-test in the Fall: August 12 September 20
 - Post-test in the Spring: March 23 April 24
- Scale Score Benchmarks:
 - Kindergarten: Fall Scale Score 530 Spring Scale Score 681
 - Pre-K Spring Scale Score 498
- DO NOT enter students and teachers in the state K-Readiness Portal unless you are a School 500
 - Ensure your School 500 students are coded correctly and not under the public school
- Choose the correct daily test code for your school's students
- K-Readiness Portal Housecleaning:
 - Look at your districts in the K-Readiness portal. Delete any users that are no longer there.

